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## MORE SCANDAL IN DEPARTMENT

Story of Contractor Holliday's Excessive Pay for Steamer Service

## BEYOND CONTRACT PRICE

Alleged Graft of Accountant Boudreau—Offers Strong Denial

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—James Holliday, of Holliday Bros., Quebec, was a witness before the Caselles inquiry into the affairs of the marine department this morning. Holliday Bros. contracted for the carriage of lighthouse supplies on the lower St. Lawrence in the summer of 1904. They asked \$200 a day for their vessel, the King Edward, and wrote Mr. Power, Liberal M.P., for Quebec, and Deputy Minister of Marine Gourdeau, stating that "any assistance which you may give us would be greatly appreciated." Being unable to obtain \$200 a day for the vessel, they finally took the contract at \$125.

At the same time the firm had a contract with the Trades and commerce department for the carriage of mails by the same vessel to settlements on the lower St. Lawrence while the vessel was also allowed to carry freight and passengers, deriving therefrom a revenue as large as that which was derived from the government by the same vessel. Mr. Holliday stated that after the contract was made with the marine department for \$125 a day he was given to understand that he would receive \$200.

After the contract made for \$125, witness had gone to Mr. Power and explained that \$125 was too little for the work performed. At the end of the season he had sent in accounts at \$300 a day, but Marine Agent Gregory had refused to certify the bill. When the money was received from Ottawa, it was received through Mr. Van Felsen, manager of the People's bank, and nephew of Mr. Gregory, who had power of attorney from Holliday for this purpose. Witness admitted that the amount received from the marine department for the King Edward services was more than the contract price.

Mr. Watson, counsel for the government, quoted from departmental papers, that Capt. Spain had arranged this matter, but Holliday could not remember that Spain had had anything to do with it.

Letters were read by Mr. Watson in which Mr. Gregory recommended the payment of \$200 a day for the King Edward and later of \$180 a day. Deponent Mr. Gourdeau at Ottawa authorized the payment of \$160 instead of \$125, and Mr. Gregory was ordered to certify accordingly.

In the month of June, 1904, the marine department paid \$30,400 in settlements of the claim of Holliday. In connection with the closing up of this account Mr. Watson drew from witness a recital of a conversation which he had with Van Felsen, his banker in Quebec, in regard to three payments of \$1,000 which were made to officials of the department. Mr. Holliday in reply to Mr. Watson said he had not referred to this matter when the commission was in Quebec because he did not want to get anyone into trouble.

According to Van Felsen's story, before the account with the marine department was adjusted an official of the marine department had come down from Ottawa and said that before the money was paid the firm would be expected "to do something." Van Felsen asked how much was expected, was \$2,000 enough? The official had answered that that would leave nothing for him. Finally \$3,000 was agreed upon. Van Felsen's story was that he had gone to Holliday about the matter and the latter first characterized the demand as an outrage, but finally signed three cheques for \$1,000 each, as he needed a settlement. According to Van Felsen the official referred to was Mr. Boudreau, assistant accountant of the department.

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The following day he had to stop at a country hotel, but he played bridge whilst with several of his party.

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### NEWS SUMMARY

1—Prof. Prince's report on fisheries. Marine department scandals. Turkey's parliament.

2—More candidates in South Spanish flight. Local and general news.

3—Labor leaders are not enthused. Letters to the editor. Amusements. General news.

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Mr. Holliday would not swear positively that he had never issued these three cheques, but insisted that he had no recollection of ever having done so. He was unable to find any trace of the matter in his books.

At the afternoon session, Mr. Van Felsen, former manager of the People's bank of Halifax at Quebec, since absorbed by the Bank of Montreal, testified that he had paid \$3,000 to Boudreau, of the department, for the purpose of securing a release of a cheque for \$30,000 due by the department to Holliday Bros. for the rental of the steamship King Edward. The payment was the result of a hold-up, and was the only means by which Holliday could get the money. The payment was made in June, 1905. Van Felsen testified that on the day payment was made to Boudreau he drew the attention of his accountant, H. H. Lawrence, to Mr. Boudreau, and told him to "remind him well" and that Lawrence replied that he knew the man and that his name was Boudreau. Van Felsen was then confronted with the attendance book of the department at Ottawa, which showed that on the date on which he declared the payment was made to Boudreau, Boudreau was attending to his duties in Ottawa. This Van Felsen replied that he was testifying to the best of his recollection. The books would show the date. The Bank of Montreal had refused him permission to examine them.

Mr. Boudreau was examined and testified that he had never been a party to any such transaction as that which Van Felsen testified. He had not been in Quebec at all in June. The Judge ordered H. H. Lawrence, the former accountant of the bank, to be summoned to appear.

Vancouver, Dec. 17.—It was learned today that recommendations of Prof. Prince, of Ottawa, Canadian member of the international fisheries commission, in respect to the proposed new regulations for the salmon fisheries of the Fraser river and contiguous waters, bear not the slightest similarity to those promulgated by Dr. David Starr Jordan, the U.S. commissioner.

Dr. Jordan recommends to Washington that no fishing for sockeye salmon or steelhead trout be permitted in Puget Sound waters during the years 1910 and 1912, provided the Canadian authorities stop fishing in the Fraser river and contiguous waters during the same years. Regarding these suggested closed years, Prof. Prince's draft report is said to mention nothing.

Dr. Jordan in his recommendations also urges that the length of gill nets be limited to 750 feet, which is 150 feet shorter than the shortest net now in use in the Fraser river fisheries. It is stated that Prof. Prince in his report favors maintaining the length of gill nets at 900 feet in the Fraser river and twice that length in the waters of the Gulf of Georgia.

The recommendations of Prof. Prince are declared to be conservative in the extreme, and this fact is responsible for considerable comment, as it was generally expected that they would be modelled on lines similar to those submitted by Dr. Jordan.

In the event of the commissioners finally submitting to their respective governments reports which are not uniform, the next step in the direction of putting the recommendations into regulations on both sides of the boundary must be taken at a conference of representatives of both governments.

According to the treaty negotiated early this year between Great Britain and the United States for the straightening out of boundary fishery tangles there is no third commissioner who could be called in as arbitrator so

the governments have to give and take until they agree on uniform regulations.

First—To increase the membership of both the judicial and viceroy's councils by nomination and election, giving the different classes of the community each its representatives.

Second—To repeal the prohibition against the executive council discussing matters of general importance.

Third—To increase the executive councils of Bombay and Madras from two to four members each.

Fourth—To give the Lieutenant-governor an executive council of two members, and,

Fifth—To adopt devices to secure an official majority in the executive council.

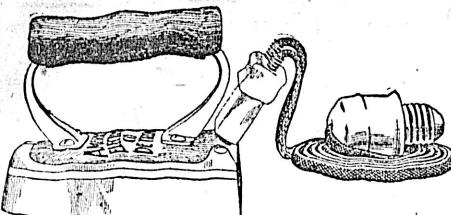
Lord Morley said he anticipated criticism of this fifth proposal, but he explained that he made no pretension of inaugurating a parliamentary system in India. What he wanted to do was simply to assign the East Indians a greater share in the government of India without divesting the imperial authority of any of its power.

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MORE CANDIDATES IN  
SOUTH SAANICH FIGHT

Municipal Contest is Assuming More Activity—The Road Question Prominent

More candidates for municipal honors in South Saanich have entered the campaign which will be decided next month. With the exception of wards one and two, at present represented by Councillors Nicholson and Pointer respectively, there will be new aspirants for honors in every ward. Of the present council, Councillors Scott, Ward three; and Dunn, Ward four, will not be candidates, and Councillor Pointer and Nicholson have not yet decided whether they will seek re-election. Reeve Quirk, who announced his candidature for the reeve ship some time ago is still unopposed and no other name is mentioned as a possible competitor. In fact it appears to be generally conceded that Reeve Quirk is entitled to another term and that he should be returned by acclamation.

Of new candidates there are several while others who have not yet announced themselves are being pressed to do so. So far candidates other than the present members of the council, have been announced in Ward three, four, five and six. In Ward three Councillor Scott will retire. J. Tracey is being pressed to run and will likely do so. In Ward four Councillor Dunn will also retire and for the vacancy Charles Jones of Strawberry Vale, and W. Clapperton are in the field. In Ward five Councillor Mannix will again be a candidate and opposing him will be J. Grant, R. Trickey and probably S. Cameron. In this ward the contest promises to be the hottest fought of any in the municipality. In Ward six, Councillor Haddon, who will seek re-election, will have as a competitor C. H. Gillan, while an effort is being made to bring out another candidate.

The question of road expenditure will form one of the important questions before the ratepayers of the municipality. The present council has endeavored to give each ward its share of money in this work. Wards one and two, lying as they do, adjoining the city boundaries, have received the greatest amount, this year's council deciding that as the roads in these two wards are as frequently used by residents in the other wards, the increased expenditure there was as a matter of fact, of almost equal benefit to the other wards. Actual figures of the road expenditure for the past year shows the following amounts were spent: Ward one, \$2,534.71; Ward two, \$2,405.57; Ward three, \$2,005.90; Ward four, \$2,182.18; Ward five, \$2,396.78; Ward six, \$2,053.01.

## CHESS TOURNAMENT

Local Man Will Play Eight Games at Once

The most interesting intellectual event, in this city on Saturday next, will be the chess tournament in the Y.M.C.A. auditorium, when Mr. Thomas Piper will play simultaneously eight games, if so many volunteer chess players can be found to oppose him

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In this unusual test of skill, four gentlemen have already entered their names, three of whom are: J. Brown, W. B. Fisher, and Wm. Scowcroft, the fourth being an ex-member of the late City Chess club. It is hoped that other four will make their appearance and enable an exhibition which rarely happens in chess circles, to be witnessed. The rooms will be open to the public, who are most cordially invited to be present. The opening hour for this tournament is 8 o'clock. Chess is essentially the King of Games and the Game of Kings.

## TO AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHERS

The amateur photographers throughout the city are invited to submit to the Colonist flashlight photographs of Christmas gatherings in Victoria homes. It has been suggested by one enthusiastic amateur that the Colonist might give an impetus to this branch of endeavor, and accordingly a tentative photographic contest of this sort has been arranged. Prints submitted must be delivered to the Sunday Editor of the Colonist not later than Tuesday, Dec. 29.

## Entrance Examinations

The High school entrance examinations are at present being held at the High school, Superintendent E. B. Paul, M.A., presiding. Six pupils are writing, two from Victoria and one each from Sooke, West Saanich, Goldstream and Craigflower schools. The number of pupils writing this Christmas is much smaller than usual because of the fact that as those now passing will have to wait until a year from next June before they can take their preliminary examination, many pupils have preferred to wait until the examinations next June when they will still have a full year to prepare for the preliminary examination and just as far ahead as those writing now.

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## LABOR LEADERS ARE NOT ENTHUSED

Cooperative Proposals of Sir Christopher Furness Are Coldly Received

London, Dec. 17.—So far as public indications go the co-operative proposals of Sir Christopher Furness have not received much support from Labor leaders. All unite in desiring to put an end to methods of barbarism, but few think the scheme put forward attractive enough to exchange for the potential power of striking. By the first proposal the shipyards would be handed over to the unions as general concern at a valuation. The refusal of this offer is a foregone conclusion, and Sir Christopher, who doubtless sees this, did not lose the opportunity of reading the workmen a lesson on the function of the captain of industry and the capitalist investor. Not only is it doubtful whether unions funds, if adequate, would be available for such an undertaking, but the men know well enough that they have not the requisite specialized ability to run a shipyard. This is not equivalent to saying that they could not in time develop a self-governing concern. But where this has been done successfully it has been a very gradual process.

The second scheme proposed to create a special class of employees' shares yielding interest at 4 per cent. per annum. In addition the workmen shareholders would receive a pro rata bonus out of the profits along with the ordinary shareholders after the latter had first received 5 per cent. To enable the workmen to purchase his shares a weekly reduction of 5 per cent. would be made from his wages. A works council, consisting of an equal number of representatives of masters and men, would be set up. In the work of this council outside trade unions officials would be invited to participate.

The functions of this council are not very precisely indicated. It would deal with minor points of discipline. Provision is made for calling in arbitrators. The council would not supersede in the least degree the authority of the officials of the company to engage, instruct, direct, suspend, or discharge employees. On the other hand, its cordial welcome of the trade union officials marks a considerable advance. In return for these facilities the unions surrender their right to strike and the employers to lock out. It seems probable that in the conferences now taking place at West Hartlepool Sir Christopher Furness will be pressed to go much further than his first proposals concede.

### AMUSEMENTS

#### The Land of Nod

A beautiful production of musical comedy and extravagance will occupy the stage of the Victoria theatre tomorrow night, Dec. 19, when "The Land of Nod" will be presented. This is one of those impressive organizations which are characterized by a plentitude of comedians, singers and dancers, and numerous chorus and ballet and in which scenery, costumes and "effects" are lavishly displayed. "The Land of Nod" has impressed itself strongly on all who have witnessed it on account of its decidedly unique character creations, such as "The Man in the Moon," "Welsh Rabbit," "Sandman," "April Fool," "King and Queen of Hearts," and similar unusual personages. The locale in which they move is only encountered in tales of fairyland and in the Arabian Nights. It is all clever and interesting, and its comedy is whole and good. The musical score contains plenty of jinglings, catch sort of composition which enlivens and satisfies. Practically the same excellent cast which made "The Land of Nod" so conspicuous among New York successes constitutes the present company. The sale of seats began yesterday at 10 a.m.

#### Babes in Toyland

The playgoer who is in search of theatrical entertainment that may be tried and not found wanting need have no hesitation in visiting "Babes in Toyland," which comes to the Victoria theatre Monday, Dec. 21, with the assurance that they will witness good, clean comedy, replete with catchy and tuneful music and a magnificent scenic production; as a setting for real humor it is offered without recourse to horseplay, vulgarity or venality. The book and lyrics are the work of Glen McDonough, and are said to take high rank as the most pretentious product of this popular librettist, while the exquisitely beautiful music by Victor Herbert is by far the most ambitious offering of this talented composer.

#### Fifty Miles From Boston

The Victoria theatre will have as its attraction for Wednesday, Dec. 23, and Thursday, Dec. 24, George M. Cohan's clever rural musical comedy, "Fifty Miles From Boston," which will be produced under the direction of Cohan and Harris with what is claimed to be one of the best companies on tour. Mr. Cohan is said to have laid the scenes of his new play in and around the village of Brookfield and to have caught the types and the "local color" with rare cleverness. He has furthermore embellished the story with such songs as "Harrigan," "My Small Town Gal," "Waltz With Me," "Jack and Jill," "Ain't It Awful," and "Boys Who Fight the Flames." Joseph Sparks, Suzanne Westford, Hazel Lowry and Russell Phinney are in the company.

#### The Great Divide.

"The Great Divide," the play that has been termed "the long awaited great American drama," will be the attraction at the Victoria Theatre, for Friday, December 25, and Saturday, December 26. Henry Miller is sending his company of specially selected players to interpret the character and the production is the original one used in New York for 600 nights.

#### The Hartmann Concert.

Intelligence is the key to the playing of Miss Katharine Goodson, the English pianist who will be here on December 29th, in company with Hartmann. Intelligent phrasing, intelligent elasticity, intelligent use of a very keen sense of rhythm and most pronounced of all, an intelligent interpretive quality have combined to place her work on the high plane which only the world's greatest artists succeed in attaining. Miss Goodson is a truly musicalian musician. "Miss Goodson's art calls forth only the warmest praise declares the New York Evening Mail. She is a pianist of unique and superbly artistic attainment. Her brilliancy is sweeping, and, in contrast, her delicacy, whether tending to tenderness or to witchery,

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### THE CASSELS INQUIRY.

To say that the exposures made as the result of the Casse's Inquiry into the business of the Department of Marine and Fisheries disclose laxity is to state the case very mildly. Yesterday's dispatches brought the name of Commander Spain into unpleasant prominence. Truly "the trail of the serpent is over them all." The tremendous increase in the cost of vessels built for the Department is appalling. The public will await with a great deal of interest, not unmixed with anxiety, the course which the Government will pursue. As yet nothing that has been brought out even indirectly touches any minister, so far as moral guilt is concerned, and we do not care to express any opinion one way or the other on the question of personal responsibility for the existence of the conditions disclosed.

Since the Laurier Government came into power three gentlemen have occupied the position of Minister of Marine and Fisheries. Sir Louis Davies, now of the Supreme Court of Canada; Mr. Prefontaine, who is dead, and Mr. Brodeur, the present incumbent. An interesting point to be brought out, and the floor of the House of Commons is the proper place to bring it out, is when did Mr. Brodeur become cognizant that things were wrong. Some time ago we expressed the opinion that in view of the disclosures he ought to place his resignation in the hands of the Premier. We did not say that the resignation should be accepted, but only that it should be tendered, in order that the Prime Minister might be able to say to the House, if he can, that Mr. Brodeur's skirts are clear of all wrong and therefore that he has been retained at the head of the Department.

The disclosures, as far as we have been able to follow them, seem to indicate that the responsibility can hardly be laid at Mr. Brodeur's door to such a degree as to call for action of that kind; but this does not dispose of the responsibility of the Government in the premises. The public has been under the impression that expenditures were passed on by the Treasury Board, and while it is obvious that to a certain extent details must be entrusted to the permanent officials, it seems inexplicable that work contracted for at \$17,000 should cost \$42,423, and the responsibility for the increase rest upon the shoulders of a subordinate.

The laxity of the Department is amazing. Great increases in the contract prices of articles have been made and the only excuses that have been forthcoming have been found to be groundless. Contractors have acted as bankers for government officials, and the repayment of loans has been left at the discretion of the borrowers. Merchants have given officials indefinite credit. These things are not compatible with honest administration, and while it may be possible for the Government to show that no Minister has benefited even indirectly by these gross irregularities, it is impossible to see how the Ministry as a whole can justify, even to themselves the existence of the conditions that have been disclosed.

### AN EXTRAORDINARY POSITION

The Montreal Herald represents Sir Wilfrid Laurier as anxious to find a seat for Mr. Templeman until the latter is able to follow out his protest and unseat the Conservative representative of Victoria." As this appears in Mr. Templeman's paper without qualification, we may assume that the protest filed against Mr. Barnard is Mr. Templeman's protest, a point that is worth remembering, but why he did not make it in his own name is not yet explained.

We repeat what we have already said, namely, that we refuse to believe that Sir Wilfrid Laurier will state on the floor of parliament what his newspaper supporters are saying. We do not believe that he will tell the House that he tried to keep Mr. Templeman in office, because he believed that Mr. Barnard will be unseated and he wishes to give the Minister of Inland Revenue another chance at this constituency. We can readily understand that Sir Wilfrid Laurier might wish to keep Mr. Templeman in his cabinet. That gentleman was the only minister to be defeated, and he was defeated upon a matter of public policy. Against this we would have no protest to make, and if we had there would be no use in making it. What we do protest against is the triple insult which the Prime Minister is said to intend to put upon this constituency. He is said to be shaping the policy of his government in regard to cabinet representation from British Columbia upon the hypothesis that Mr. Barnard was corruptly elected, that the courts will un-

seat him and that the support of this constituency can be purchased by a portfolio. The only way to show properly the enormity of this suggestion is to suppose Sir Wilfrid Laurier in his place in the House telling Mr. Barnard in his place in the House that he does not recognize him as the representative of Victoria, because he was corruptly elected and will be unseated, and because Mr. Templeman is the city's real representative and will be elected just as soon as he, Mr. Barnard, is got out of the way. Surely we have not reached such a stage as this in party politics.

### IMPORTANT IF TRUE.

A Washington dispatch to the Record-Herald, of Chicago, says:

All Japanese emigration to the United States is to be stopped by the Japanese Government. When the Japanese Diet meets in a few weeks hence, Baron Komura, Minister of Foreign Affairs, will make an official announcement that the Government has decided to prohibit all emigration to the United States after a certain date. Thus will disappear the last remaining difference or possible cause of trouble between the United States and Japan.

The order of the Japanese Government will prohibit all emigration, but will, of course, leave travel free, so that merchants, students and tourists from Japan may visit America at will under the passport agreement with the United States Government.

It is a fact that the highest officials of the two governments have viewed the future with apprehension if the immigration question were left undiscussed.

It will be recalled that in the first abstract of the agreement between the United States and Japan, there was a paragraph to the effect that, as the immigration of laborers from one country to the other would cause discord, which might result in international complications, its prohibition had been agreed upon. This was omitted from the correspondence as published; but the statement in the despatch above quoted, if it is correct, shows that the original statement was correct. This is an important step, and among other things it will serve to clear the ground so far as Canada is concerned. It also will show how sound the views of the people of British Columbia are on this question and demonstrate that, if the Dominion Government had insisted upon the Queensland protocol, no objection would have been raised on the part of Japan. We shall not pursue the discussion of the matter any further until we know whether the Chicago paper's dispatch is correct. If it is there will be a few things to be said.

### DEVELOPING THE ISLAND.

The Nanaimo Herald closes an appreciative reference to the Victoria Board of Trade campaign for the development of Vancouver Island by saying that this city may not always be the business centre of the island. Everything is possible in the way of changes in commercial prominence, and the Board of Trade approaches the question in hand with a full appreciation of the possibilities of other centres of population and trade being developed. The campaign of the publicity committee of the Board is not directed to the advertising of one place more than another. If it were, there would be no warrant for the request that other communities would join in the effort. If when this Island is developed, as we all hope it will be, some city shall arise that will overshadow Victoria, our people will not complain. As development proceeds, as population increases, as the geographical advantages of the Island are utilized, the business men of Victoria will strive to hold their relative prominence, and to increase it. So also will the business men of Nanaimo, Ladysmith, and of all the other towns which now exist or may hereafter come into existence. There is a chance that makes united effort desirable. Doubtless our Nanaimo friends, for example, will feel bound to supplement any united work that may be undertaken, with a local campaign of publicity.

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President-elect Taft seems determined upon "an honest and thorough revision of the tariff." This will come in the nature of a shock to the trust magnates, and many others who had supposed Roosevelt's successor would be free from such notions of reform. But he is tackling a very difficult job.

By all accounts, the new Australian liner, the Makura, is a magnificent craft. It is to be hoped that arrangements will be perfected which will permit of her being kept on the run to British Columbia ports. Her passenger accommodation is so excellent that much travel would no doubt, for that reason, be diverted this way from other routes.

It is of general interest to note that in London the other day the first revocation of a foreign patent in Great Britain under the new patent law occurred when a patent held by a Belgian for making tiles was revoked on the ground that there was no valid reason for not manufacturing in Britain. The patentee was mulcted in the costs.

It is announced that Judge Casse's will not come to Vancouver or Victoria to hold an enquiry into marine department affairs. Possibly this decision has been reached because of a conviction on the part of the Government that it would savor of planting the lily to collect more evidence of the kind which the Judge has secured in the eastern provinces.

Those public-spirited citizens who at their own personal expense have imported a number of game birds with the idea of improving the stock on the Island have earned the thanks not only of all sportsmen but of the community in general. We trust that their experiments with new varieties of pheasants may be thoroughly successful.

Venezuela, the most northerly confederation of South America, consists of 14 states and 5 territories, covering an area of 566,159 square miles, with a population, in 1891, of 2,323,527. The army consists of about 8,000 men, while service is nominally compulsory in the national militia. Caracas, the capital, has a population of about 60,000. President Castro was born on October 12, 1860, assumed office on October 24, 1899, became constitutional president in May, 1905, for six years.

The letting of the contract for the proposed public works at Prince Rupert is another important step in the direction of creating a city at the terminus of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway. The announcement that the work will be vigorously prosecuted during the winter months, both by the provincial government and the railway company will be hailed with satisfaction, implying as it does that employment will be offered to a large number of men.

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and it may faithfully be said that in no quarter in Europe has there been evidenced so sincere a desire to give Turkey a free hand in her work of reorganization than in Great Britain—and it may be added that were it not for Britain's support at this time there is little doubt that the Ottoman empire would not be left undistracted during this anxious crisis in its history.

Somebody in Toronto has started a campaign against giving Christmas presents, and one of the reasons given for discontinuing them is that people give such foolish presents. What nonsense this is! Half the pleasant things in life are foolish, that is tried by the standard of some superlatively wise people. The laugh of a little child is perhaps the most purposeless thing in all the world; but if all the laughter of the little ones should cease, we would give all we have to get it back again. Your little boy or girl looks up in your face with perfect trust and confidence. Down in your heart you know you do not deserve it, and therefore from the superlatively wise point of view the child is foolish and ought to be set right. We hope these Toronto people will mind their own business. If they do not want to give Christmas presents they need not, but the rest of us will keep on being foolish and getting a little happiness out of it.

In an interesting address at Wellington, New Zealand, the other day, Vice-Admiral Sir Richard Poore, commander-in-chief of the Australian station, said he desired to impress upon his hearers the fact that the object of the Navy League was simply to educate people to realize what the navy was to the Empire, how its work was done, and the necessity for that work. The number of people present made him realize more than ever what the command of the sea meant. When he spoke of the command of the sea he did so in no belligerent spirit, for Britain was not pursuing an aggressive policy. The only way for the Empire to be properly defended was by a navy sufficiently powerful to guard all ocean highways, so as to ensure commerce passing without hindrance. Judging by the generous additions to the New Zealand subsidy, the value of which was increased by the absence of conditions, it was evident that the New Zealanders realized that there could only be one Imperial navy.

Germany is pushing forward energetically its efforts to renew negotiations with Canada for the conclusion of a commercial treaty. The Borsen Courier, a leading stock exchange organ of Berlin, draws attention to the fact that the tariff war between the two countries is still proceeding and is doing serious damage to German trade. The value of Germany's imports from Canada has averaged during the five years ending in 1907 little more than £450,000. Were German goods not taxed twice as heavily as English goods and about a third higher than the produce of other countries, Germany would now occupy a very different position in the Canadian market in consequence of the rapid development of the country. Canada, the Courier adds, required an enormous amount of industrial products which cannot be supplied at home. As matters stand, Germany can hope to participate to only a very modest extent in supplying these growing needs. "It is a matter of urgent necessity that the obstacle in the way of a conclusion of a German-Canadian commercial treaty should be overcome as soon as possible," it concludes.

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The world was divided into districts, over which each country should have jurisdiction. Mexico was American territory, South America was divided between Europe and America, the West Indies and British Honduras were common property and the rest of the world was European territory. It was agreed that fees should be paid into a common treasury and that all fines should be paid into the same fund, to be used for the benefit of all the concerns.

One of the exasperating things in connection with the work of conducting a newspaper in Western Canada—and particularly in British Columbia—is the fact that the press of Eastern Canada with few exceptions invariably make the mistake of supposing that they "know it all" in commenting on matters arising out of developments in British Columbia. One of the worst offenders in this respect is the Montreal Witness. We are sure none of the writers on the press of this province would for a moment assume a dictatorial attitude in respect to some question appertaining almost entirely to the province of Quebec, yet the Witness, notably in regard to the Asiatic immigration problem which British Columbia is wrestling with, never neglects an opportunity of offering some advice as to the policy which ought to be pursued. Our Montreal contemporaries, for instance, thus disposes of the Hindu problem:

A remarkably astute move on the part of the Sikhs of British Columbia would seem to have taken the East Indian question out of the acute stage in which it was placed by the anomaly of the white population, and the fact that a large number of the Orientals were out of employment. The Government thought it had found a solution by offering them a paradise in British Honduras. They sent a deputation to Honduras, which reported that it was anything but a paradise, and that British Columbia was far better. The Governor of British Honduras made it his business to go to British Columbia to convince them that they had made a great mistake in their judgment of that land of bananas and yams and guava and everything delightful. Meantime, however, the Sikhs have done something that puts an end to all that. They have become landowners, every man of them. They have formed themselves into a company, including all the unemployed who has purchased a big cabbage garden on the outskirts of Northern Vancouver, a suburb which, being across the inlet, has not been growing very fast and which will afford employment to every man who cannot get it otherwise. They have fastened themselves to the soil as the suffragettes fastened themselves to the benches, and now as landowners they are immune from pauperism as well as from deportation as paupers.

We direct special attention to the following paragraph which appears in a recent issue of the Toronto News. It will furnish much food for thought amongst those who take an interest in the future of our wonderful country:

Canada grows in importance. The Senate of France is now discussing a commercial treaty with the Dominion. Germany is anxious for better trade relations with us, and Washington is negotiating over fishery privileges in Canadian waters. But then the Dominion has a larger population today than had Great Britain, when, victorious over the Armada, she emerged from the contest "mistress of the seas." Toronto to-day is a much larger city than London was at that time—three hundred years ago. What will Canada be three centuries hence? surely they are not idle dreamers who look to the day when the Dominion will be the dominant state in the Empire.

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## FORTY YEARS AGO

The British Colonist, Friday, December 18, 1868.

Nanaimo Coal—It has been supposed and indeed ascertained lately that the vein of coal at Nanaimo was rapidly decreasing in size. On enquiry yesterday from a gentleman who came down by the steamer Douglas, we find that the report has no foundation. The vein, as it appears at present, is five feet six inches thick at a vertical depth of about sixty fathoms, and the coal now being taken out is of better quality than ever before produced from the mine. To facilitate the working in future, and to economize the labor, a new slope is being run from the inside of the pit to the surface, for which a powerful engine and necessary machinery are now on the way from England. The stock of coal is large, there being upwards of 7,000 tons on the surface awaiting shipment.

Drawbacks on Exports—Hon. Mr. Drake, in the council yesterday, gave notice of an intention to introduce an Ordinance to provide a drawback upon exported goods. The ordinance has in view the restoration to Victoria of its foreign trade, which, since the imposition of the tariff, has been lost. The measure is a good one, and in justice to the mercantile class, which has been a heavy sufferer, ought to be allowed to pass.

Divine Service will be held at the Presbyterian church, Pandora street, on Sunday next, morning and evening, at the usual hours, by the Rev. Wm. Atkin.

## ABOUT PEOPLE

Dr. Edwyn Hoskyns, the Bishop of Southwell, has been elected to the vacant Archbishopsric of Cape Town. He is a brother of Canon Hoskyns, the popular Vicar of Brighton. Both, it is pointed out, are sons of Sir John Leigh Hoskyns, a clerical baronet of ancient lineage, who still, in his ninety-second year, performs pastoral duties in the diocese of Oxford. The new Archbishop is a prelate of fine physique, who rowed in the Varsity eight at Cambridge, and will be better able than his predecessors to stand the strain of incessant journeys about his difficult diocese.

Dr. Jeff, the late Master of the Charterhouse, belonged to a family which has produced several fine scholars. His father, Rev. Dr. Jeff, was the Principal who ousted F. D. Maurice, for "heterodoxy" from a professorship at King's College, London. But, says the Westminster Gazette, the "heresy hunt" of Maurice had a political rather than a religious origin. An uncle of the late Master was W. E. Jeff, a Christ Church don, who compiled a great Greek grammar, for violating the rules of which an Oxford lecturer was wont sternly to rebuke the Greek dramatists. The Master of the Charterhouse will probably be reserved for an Old Carthusian.

Few men, says the London Daily News, have a wider knowledge of student life in many lands than Mr. J. R. Mott, who is holding a series of meetings for men in Oxford, Cambridge, London, and Glasgow this month and next. A graduate of Yale and Cornell, he is the founder of the World's Student Christian Federation, which is represented now by branches in almost every college and university in the world. There are few lands where Mr. Mott has not personally explained the movement in the different universities, and he is hardly less familiar with the student life of China and Japan than with that of his own country. The carrying on of so great an international movement to success is evidence of great administrative power. The Student Voluntary Missionary Union is a department of the student movement which has done more than anything else in recent years to revitalise the interest in foreign missions among students in England and America.

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When, says the London Globe, we consider that the average milk yield of this country is variously put at from 400 to 450 gallons per cow per year, and that a 700-gallon cow is a remarkably good one, it is interesting to know that in the Tring herd belonging to Lord Rothschild there were four cows each of which gave considerably over 1,000 gallons of milk during the year that ended with Michaelmas. A ten-year-old red polled cow, Lissie, gave 13,577 lbs. (roughly 1,350 gallons) during that period, and has given an average of 10,603 lbs. a year for eight years; Red Rose 3rd gave 11,656 lbs. of milk in the year and Barington Duchess 31st 10,047 lbs.

Picture postcards are being used, says the New York Tribune, for all kinds of announcements, newly married couples pose in wedding costumes for card pictures, which are sent to friends; proprietors of inns and restaurants use them for advertising purposes; the new baby is introduced to distant friends and relatives by means of the card and engaged couples make use of the same medium to show their smiling faces to interested persons at a distance. The latest thing in that line is a card from Germany with the picture of a wreath and flower covered coffin, under which a member of the bereaved family wrote: "Soربعان سلیمان" (Soربعان سلیمان)—thus rested our sainted one."

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## BRITISH OPINION

The Daily Express says:—Mr. Balfour had a distinguished audience to listen to his speech on co-partnership, and he expounded with great skill the manifold advantages of this, rational "way out" of labor disputes and all their attendant sufferings and loss. Mr. Balfour very properly insisted on the necessity of leaving to the individual the essentially individual work of organizing and directing. The Unionist leader has no belief in government by committees, and, as he said, the ablest at the members of a committee, the more inefficient will be its collective administration. The happiness and prosperity of any community lie in the hands of the few men born to lead and direct, and in every progressive State and every progressive business individual omnipotence must remain. But the head of the State or the head of a firm can be helped by consultation with committees, whose members represent the various interests entrusted to him, and in the case of a business the worker has a full right to his place on such a committee. He will be useful to his fellow-members, and his presence will be helpful to himself because he will widen his view and consequently enlarge his sympathy. Mr. Balfour's reference to co-partnership in agriculture was particularly interesting. We look forward to a large increase in the number of peasant proprietors in this country. No class is more valuable to a State than the poor man working on his own land.

The House of Commons has now, says the Daily Telegraph, had two full days' debate in committee on the Education Bill. It is impossible to say that there are many signs of its having made any new friends in the House since the vote on the second reading. Those who then opposed it are deepening in their hostility, those who then supported it like it no better, but feel bound to go through with it. Yesterday the discussion on clause 2, which concedes the right of entry into provided schools, revealed on the one side a cluster of extreme radicals in full and open revolt, and on the other a strong and perhaps an exaggerated element of suspicion as to the bona fides of the Government's intentions. The Prime Minister, who showed himself in his most reasonable mood, deprecated this "extremely suspicious spirit," and renewed his oft-repeated declaration that the Government meant this right of entry to be an effective and not a nugatory right, and would do their best to meet the wishes of the denominationalists in the drafting of the clause which embodied the privilege.

Now that the Licensing bill has been finally rejected, and the heat of controversy, so unnecessarily created by irrelevant issues, is cooling down, it is surely time, says The Standard, that those who are zealous for the suppression of intemperance (and who is not?) should ask themselves if their projects of reform have not begun at the wrong end. Many excellent persons sincerely approved of the Licensing Bill because they entertain a theory that excessive indulgence in fermented liquors is not the fault of him who consumes them, but of him who sells them. Applying the same principle it is not the burglar who ought to be prosecuted, but the collector of silver who tempts cupidity, and the shoplifter ought to go scot-free while the merchant who displays his wares should be sent to prison. Such, however, is not the law and custom of England, and it baffles comprehension to perceive why the purveyor of an article of perfectly legitimate consumption should be suddenly treated as an outlaw. No argument will of course persuade the extreme temperance reformer that alcohol is not necessarily and at all times poison, or that the vendor of poison is not always a criminal. But those who are content to accept the facts of life cannot but observe that the evil of intemperance must reside in the intemperate. The excesses of the drunkard, whether they proceed from disease or from weakness or from habit, are the origin of so much loss, injury, and suffering inflicted on others as well as upon himself that public opinion has come to recognise the duty of the State with regard to him. That duty has yet to be adequately fulfilled. The Licensing Bill ignored it entirely.

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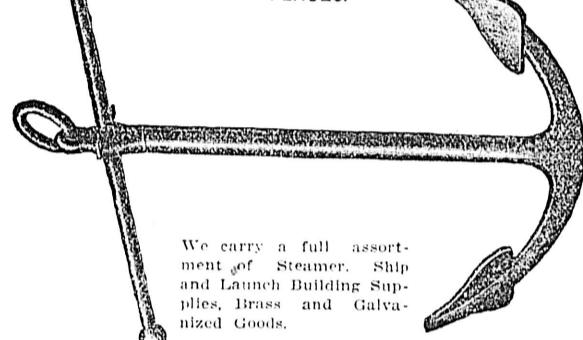
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#### To Present Prizes.

The prizes and awards, which were at the annual examinations of St. Barnabas church Sunday school yesterday, will be awarded at an entertainment, which will be held in the church lecture room on Monday evening the 25th instant.

#### The Social Evil.

On Sunday afternoon next at 4 o'clock Dr. Ernest Hall will address a men's meeting in the New Grand theatre upon the social evil. This is the second lecture of his course, and the third will deal with the same social problem.

#### Group Attacks Young Children in All Countries.

There is probably no country on the globe which does not know the disastrous results of group. Mothers of small children, whether in the Isles of the South Sea or in the frozen region of the north, are always on the alert for the first symptom of the dangerous malady, which is sure to bring destruction unless proper attention is given to the little sufferer. The following letter from South Africa shows that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which is so extensively used in the United States, is also a favorite medicine for group in that country. It is fast supplanting other remedies in many parts of the world, wherever it has been used, and all uneasiness may be avoided by the anxious mother if this remedy is kept at hand. Mr. Fritz Everett, manager of a general store for Dr. Jardine, at Indore, Cape Colony, South Africa, says: "I have bad occasion to use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy very often with my three little children for coughs and group, and have never found anything that gave as good satisfaction and relief as quickly as this remedy. We are never without it."

New furniture, brass and iron beds, stands, to be sold by auction today, 2 p.m., at Maynard & Son's saleroom.

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The Mystic Spring by D. W. Higgins has been republished, it is now on sale at Victoria Book and Stationery Co., Limited.

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### NEWS OF THE CITY

#### Public Holidays

The current issue of the Gazette contains the announcement that Saturday, the 26th instant, and Saturday, January 2nd, are to be public holidays, and that the government offices will be closed on those days.

#### Ingenuka Mines

A big company has been incorporated, apparently to mine in the Ingenuka district, although its powers would enable it to carry on its operations anywhere. The name is the Ingenuka-Phinay River Development Company, and it is capitalized at two million dollars. It has the usual powers taken by mining concerns.

#### Streets Set Aside

The B. C. Electric Company have made application to the government to specify the streets upon which they will be permitted to lay their car tracks in the new townsite of Hastings. The matter was taken up at the last executive, and no opposition being manifested, an agreement was arrived at.

#### Plans for Wholesale House

In the report of the building permits issued on Wednesday an error was made in stating that the four-story wholesale building to be erected by Wilson Bros., on Herald Street, was designed by W. C. Frame, architect. The plans were drawn by Messrs. Hooper and Watkins, architects. Mr. Frame prepared the plans for the proposed Chinese school a permit for which was also issued on Wednesday.

#### Getting Under Cover

Apparently the Japanese of the province are coming to the conclusion that the less they advertise their presence in British Columbia the better. In any event, the Gazette announces that the Japanese Fishermen's Benevolent Society has changed its name to that of the Steveston Fishermen's Benevolent Society. However, as all the fishermen at Steveston are Japanese nowadays, the change does not make much difference.

#### More Permits Issued.

Building permits were issued yesterday by the building inspector to J. J. Sparrow, who will erect a dwelling on North Park street to cost \$1,800; to Mrs. C. E. Burdett, for additions to her Cornwall street residence to cost \$200; to George Oliver for a dwelling on Langford street, to cost \$1,200, and to Mrs. Gray, for a dwelling at the corner of Cook street and Fairfield road, to cost \$2,600. The aggregate value of the buildings for which permits have been issued this month to date is \$90,350.

#### No Meeting Held

The meeting of the joint committee of the city council and the municipal council of South Saanich which was to have been held yesterday for the purpose of discussing the question of the erection of an abattoir whereby the present system of slaughtering cattle would be done away with, did not come off owing to the non-attendance of the city representatives. Another meeting will be called for some afternoon next week, when the facts pertaining to abattoir construction and operation gathered by Ald. Gleason on his recent trip abroad will be submitted.

#### Hard Fought Case

The case of Black vs. Anderson took up all day yesterday in the county court. It had been adjourned from last week, and at the close of the proceedings the cross-examination of the defendant was not concluded. The case, which is being bitterly contested at every step, is a suit for commission for sales of shares in an oil company. The commission agreement is denied, and the defence further alleges that in any event, the plaintiff being a director of the company at the time he is not entitled to make a profit. H. B. Robertson is appearing for the plaintiff and Fred Peters, K. C., and S. Perry Mills, K. C., for the defence.

#### School Board Meets

A special meeting of the school board will be held this evening when among other matters the board will consider a communication from the city council relative to the by-law for \$5,000 which the latter body was requested to submit to the electors at the next civic elections and which the council, following precedent, refused to entertain. The board will now "insist" that the council submit the measure which will be done as the council has no option but to do as "ordered." This procedure, it species of legal fiction, is observed every year by the council which in this way relieves itself of any liability in the matter. The special committee appointed to examine the tenders for the coming year will make a report.

#### Knights Will Entertain

The third social to be given by East Lodge, No. 1, Knights of Pythias, will be held tonight as a "Christmas Tree Concert" in the K. of P. hall, corner of Douglas street and Pandora avenue, commencing at 8.15 o'clock. All knights and their friends are invited. A good programme has been prepared and a pleasant time is anticipated. The following programme will be rendered: Piano solo, Mrs. J. L. Forrester; song, Herbert Kent; violin solo, Miss B. Brooker; song, J. T. Evans; exhibition of conjuring, A. G. Godfrey; cornet solo, Master E. Vado; song, Miss Ella G. Carter; trio, A. R. Dobson, P. O'Brien, G. H. Laerigan; song, J. G. Brown; song, Thomas J. Price. The accompanists will be Mrs. (Dr.) Lewis Hall, J. L. Forrester, Miss L. Brooker and A. R. Dobson.

#### Ask for Details of Accident

Relatives in the Old Country, of Albert Turner, the sailor who was killed on February 15 last, by falling from a telephone pole at the corner of Yates and Government Streets, after a foolhardy exhibition of his ability as a climber, have appealed to the authorities for further information of the incident. Turner, while in a drunken condition, made a sensational ascent to the top of the pole and out upon the wires and was within twenty feet of the street on his way to terra firma when he fell to the stone sidewalk and sustained injuries from which he died at the St. Joseph's hospital an hour later. The customary legal proceedings in the way of an inquest were carried out and Turner's people in the Old Country notified of the occurrence, but evidently beyond knowing that the man was killed through accident, they have learned no details. Copies of the Colonist giving an account of the accident and of the finding of the inquest will be forwarded to the Old Country.



### THE WEATHER

Meteorological office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p.m., December 17, 1900:

#### SYNOPSIS.

A vast area of abnormally high barometric pressure covers this entire western country between the Pacific Ocean and the Great Lakes, its centre at Spokane reading 30.69 inches; exclusive of snowfall at Minnedosa and Salt Lake City the weather in this high area is unusually fine and cold, except in California, where it is milder.

#### TEMPERATURE.

Victoria ..... Min. 32 Max. 52  
 Vancouver ..... 35 ..... 57  
 New Westminster ..... 28 ..... 58  
 Kamloops ..... 19 ..... 58  
 Barkerville ..... 2 ..... 44  
 Atlin ..... 24 ..... 51  
 Victoria, Y. T. ..... 10 below 0 ..... 28  
 Victoria, Alaska ..... 14 ..... 56  
 Portland, Me. ..... 28 ..... 56  
 San Francisco, Cal. ..... 42 ..... 59

#### FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 8 a.m. (Pacific Time) Friday:

Victoria and Vicinity. Northerly or easterly winds generally fair and cold.

Lower Mainland. Light or moderate winds, generally fair and cold.

#### THURSDAY.

Highest ..... 49  
 Lowest ..... 39  
 Mean ..... 35  
 Sunshine, 1 hour, 18 minutes.

#### TIDE TABLE

Victoria, B. C., December, 1900:

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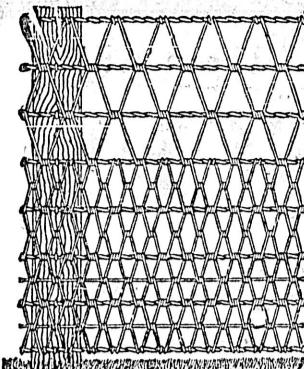
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Progress of Preliminary Operations in Construction of New Railway

The preliminary work on the construction of the western portion of the Nanaimo-Alberni railway extension is being dealt with as expeditiously as practicable according to R. J. Burde, editor of the Pioneer News, of New Alberni, who arrived in the city by the noon train yesterday. Mr. Burde is here as the representative of the Board of Trade of the small but thriving town of the West Coast and it is his intention, before leaving, to confer with the officials of the Victoria Board of Trade in regard to the proposed united action of all public bodies of Vancouver Island in the direction of advertising the immense resources of this country throughout the world. He says that the business-men of Alberni heartily endorse the project and will render every assistance in their power. Referring to railway construction Mr. Burde affirmed that there were two survey parties at work between French Creek and the chosen West Coast terminus. They were engaged revising the route previously decided on and, in carrying out their duty, they were not losing any time. Already ten of the twenty-six or more miles between French Creek and Alberni had been covered and it was expected that a few weeks more would find the surveyor's task complete. On the submittal of their report the C.P.R. officials would call for tenders for the grading of the road. That, it was anticipated, would be reached on or about the 1st of February.

Mr. Burde asserts that Alberni is prospering. Strangers are coming to the community constantly and new buildings are in course of construction. There was no particular use for the latter under the present conditions, but those who were advancing the capital for such projects apparently had so much faith in the future of that part of the West Coast as to be impressed with the wisdom of early investment. There had been considerable speculation in the timber of the Alberni district. It was doubtful if any of those who had holdings in that locality two or three years ago still were in possession. In many instances there had been several transfers. At present the majority of it was owned by American capitalists, in fact it was estimated that there were millions of United States money represented by the timber in the vicinity of New Alberni. And the most gratifying feature of this was that these in control, for the most part, were people actually engaged in manufacture.

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# In Woman's Realm

## CHRISTMAS TREE

The boys and girls of Miss Jesse's class, Kingston street school, are a very busy and a very generous lot of little people. Yesterday they had a fine Christmas Tree loaded with presents, nearly all of which were made by their own clever fingers. These presents were for their friends. There were Christmas cards, picture frames, dolls', clothes, toys and other things in which children delight as well as pretty painted cones filled with candy. Some had gone outside the school to get books or other presents. At 2 o'clock the boys and girls of the five classes marched singing into the principal's room, where the beautiful Christmas tree stood. As they made a big circle round it with the little ones carefully placed in front, they formed a happy throng. After admiring the bright lights, the gay ornaments and watching the sparks that would not burn, they gave vent to their feelings in right hearty cheers for school and teachers, and above all, for Santa Claus. The presents were then distributed. It was interesting to see that the little people did not seem so eager to find out what they got themselves as to see if others had their presents.

When the lights were burned out the blinds were raised, showing the sweets for the tiny tots hidden behind them.

These were in addition to the pretty painted card they already held, with a crimson bordered picture. If besides the ornaments which adorned the tree and the time and trouble she had given to the work, it was suspected that Miss Jesse had herself taken care that no one should be overlooked, she gave no sign. That the little folks love their teacher as well as one another, they showed by many gifts.

Teachers are in these days the subjects of a great deal of comment some of which is not wise. A few days ago the master of a Boston Normal school said that no woman over thirty should be allowed to teach. Boston has the reputation of being a wise city, and a normal school teacher should know something about teaching. Yet none the less did this gentleman prove that he had very little knowledge of the nature of women, or of the art of teaching. There are in the schools of the United States and of Canada many thousands of persons over thirty who are doing excellent work in the schools. In teaching the enthusiasm of youth counts for much, but the wisdom of experience is even more valuable.

When the two are united in any one, man or woman, we have the best teacher. There are very few conscientious teachers who have not bitterly repented the mistakes of judgment they made in the first few years of their career before they had learned to understand the children. It is given only to the true teacher to gain this understanding, and the theories of the best of men will not take the place of the knowledge learned by contact with the children. The love of children and that intuition which enables one to "become as a little child" is confined to no age. If only those who possessed these qualifications were teachers, our children would indeed be fortunate. But while the greatest teacher, like the poet, is born, not made, many by care and study learn the arts of managing a school and imparting instruction. If the born teacher has not lost her gift at thirty, she who has devoted the best years of her life to learning how to teach will not be the less fitted for her task at an age when women whose lot has been cast in a different sphere, are happy mothers.

It is many years since men have commenced to learn that knowledge as well as industry and experience were necessary to make good farmers. In almost all countries there are agricultural colleges where the students are taught not only the best methods of working the land, but the reasons why those methods are good. To this end many sciences are studied. For those who cannot attend college books on farming are written and agricultural papers published. More useful than these are the Farmers' Institutes at which lectures are delivered by those who understand local conditions. Farming in many parts of Canada has

been revolutionized through the spread of such knowledge.

It is only of late years that the farmers' wives seeing the benefit their husbands derived from the institutes, have felt that their part in the work of the farm would be better done if they had an opportunity of meeting one another and of learning how others do the work which they often find so difficult.

The Women's Institute of Ontario held its annual meeting at Guelph on the ninth of this month. How strong a hold the movement has taken on the women of that province can be seen from the fact that this year 123 branches have been formed and 12,000 new members added to the association. The women not only study such subjects as the better preparation of food and the improvement in the sanitation of their homes, but they consider how the fruit production can be increased, the water supply improved, waste products best disposed of and most important of all, how milk can be kept pure.

These institutes have, too, a valuable social influence. The loneliness and monotony of country life are through their agency much relieved, and the farmers' wives learn to see the beauty of their surroundings, and to realize the importance of the work they do. Their homes are made brighter and their lives more full of interest.

The formation of such societies on Vancouver Island would have a good effect. Nowhere can women more easily take part in the out of door life of the country than here. In fruit-growing, poultry raising and gardening women can help their husbands or brothers, and in some cases perhaps engage in the work independently.

The raising of flowers for the market will as time goes on be one of the most profitable industries of the island, and this work is specially suited to women. All this requires knowledge and experience. It has been found by the women of the older provinces that much can be learned by meeting together and each can profit by the experience of the other.

The closing exercises of South Park and Kingston street schools will both be held this forenoon in the assembly room of South Park school. The little ones of Kingston street will begin their exercises at 10 o'clock and the older boys and girls attending South Park will render their programme after they have finished.

A few days ago two young men in an eastern city, who should have been respectable, were convicted of perjury and a newspaper reports that the crime is becoming a very common one.

In a woman's paper a writer contends that insincerity is not a fault. It is quite permissible, she declares, to say things which we know are not true in order to please our acquaintances.

There is a connection between this attitude on the part of women and the state of things which makes it impossible to punish evildoers. Yet in our civilization truth is the foundation stone. To lie has been looked upon by men of the Anglo-Saxon race as an unpardonable sin. The religion we profess has taught that a lie is an abomination.

Women may be very sure that nothing but evil can come of falsehood in whatever guise she hides herself. If we can teach our boys and girls from the time they can speak to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth whatever may be the consequence we will do more for the future of the state than by procuring the enactment of laws, however good. It will be an evil day for our country when her people look lightly upon falsehood and countenance deceit.

## FOR THE WORKTABLE

In embroidery, letters are usually done in heavily padded satin stitch, or when the monogram is elaborate, the satin stitch is combined with seedling.

A clever woman has found that when she makes buttonholes in soft muslin it is a very good idea to rub a little paste made of flour and water on the wrong side. This will give a firm surface to work upon and obviates the possibility of cutting a buttonhole too large. Of course, the paste will not discolor the fabric.

An effective bedspread and bolster cover is made of Persian lawn or India linen. A graceful design of sprays of chrysanthemums tied with bows of ribbon is worked in the shadow embroidery on the wrong side of the material, which, of course, must be sheer. The edge is trimmed with lace and the covers are used over a lining of satin which corresponds in color with the room.

To mend the knees of little boys' trousers so they will look as well and wear as well as when new, rip the seams as far up as worn, cut away the worn part, take a piece of cloth like the garment, sew straight across the front, carefully matching goods; press the seam well, then shape by the piece cut off sew up the seams and hem across the front. If the pressing is well done one could not tell they had been mended.

In placing hooks and eyes upon very thin dresses, it has been found that cotton thread in the exact color is the best for making eyes. They do not tear out so easily and look much better than metal ones. The best method for making the hooks is to make two stiches, rather loose, and buttonhole them on the right side for the eyes. Some material can be raveled and the strong thread used for this purpose, in which case the buttonholes are much neater.

It is now the fashion to frame a picture without the mat showing. The effect is artistic. This is a good thing for housewives who are redecorating their rooms for the winter.

Although it is almost impossible to draw wool through the eye of an ordinary needle, however large the latter may be, the needle can sometimes be threaded with fine wool, if cotton is used as a "decoy." Both ends of a piece of cotton should be passed through the eye until only a short loop remains, the end of the wool be-

ing then run through the loop and the whole gently pulled.

A nice little embroidery bag is made of cretonne covered with two embroidery hoops, and finished at the ends with cardboard covered with cretonne just the size of the hoops. In other words, the bag is built like a barrel, with an opening at the side. This opening is held together by lacing with ribbon or by two buttons. The bag is carried by ribbon loops, which are fastened at each end to the embroidery hoops. It is pretty and the sewing materials do not get lost when thus protected.

Some of the daintiest pin cushions seen this season are of lingerie and their development is quite within the skill of any girl who knows how to hold a needle. The covers are square and oblong in shape and are finished like miniature sofa cushions, edged with a ruffle. White lawn, hemstitch, is used for the ruffle. On the top a square of filet lace is used as a decoration. When finished the covers are slipped over colored satin cushions, which can be bought for the purpose. Of course, these pin-cushion covers launder perfectly, and surely there could be nothing prettier for a holiday gift.—Chicago News.

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Small cakes are especially useful at holiday time for serving with tea and also for evening parties or afternoon teas. To make some that are very attractive, mix one cup of sugar with a half a cup of butter and beat to a cream; add half a cup of milk, two cups of milk, two cups of flour, and two small teaspoons of baking powder; flavor, and last, fold in the stiff whites of four eggs; bake in well-buttered tins. Make some of these cakes larger than others by using larger paper-pans; for and while still fresh press on top a few bits of citron, forming stems and leaves, and two halves of candied cherries; make one spray altogether. On the smaller cakes press on the fresh icing an edge of chopped pistachio nuts; in this icing you can put very little green coloring, if you choose, and pistachio flavoring; or chopped almonds, though not so pretty as the green pistachio nuts, may be substituted for them, and almond flavoring used. To the cakes with the cherries a trifle of pink may be added if wished.

The Guest Room.

There are few things which the possession of means give more to be desired than the possession of a room where we can without inconvenience entertain during the night the dear friend who comes to us from a distance. The smallest room in a friend's house is so much more attractive than the grandest one in a hotel that, in building a house, many housewives try to provide one which will give pleasure to host and hostess alike. The New York Times gives the following description of the best way to furnish the spare bedroom:

The first rule to be followed in arranging the room is to make it a comfortable one for real use by the guest. There should be pen and ink and stationery, so one may write a letter without bothering the hostess. There should be a couch, if the room is large enough, on which one may lie for a few minutes without meddling with the bed till the proper time. A low easy chair should, if possible, be added, and either the lounging chair or couch is essential to comfort.

The low slipper chair is a much needed comfort in a bedroom, but one cannot have all the articles mentioned in a small room. If there is a writing desk in the room, there should be a small high chair for it. If there are no closets a corner shelf may be put in six feet from the floor and double hooks screwed in underneath; these will hold full length dresses and all wraps, while above this there may be a second shelf for hats and shoes. Curtains may be suspended from both shelves and the clothes beneath be protected from dust and too strong light.

There should also always be placed in the room, either on a small table, or where the writing materials are, or on the desk, several good books, and also magazines of almost any date. If there is no room for these as indicated, then a shelf should be screwed on the wall, perhaps a corner shelf, but a small one, on which they may be placed. This enables a guest pleasantly to spend any length of time in the room.

Where the room is extremely small a writing portfolio of the traveling sort, well fitted out with paper, pens and ink should be at hand, and it should be seen to, before the advent of any guest, that it contains ink that flows and that everything about it is in order. A few postage stamps will often prove a boon, and any conscientious guest will place as many pennies where the stamps are taken from as will pay for them.

When the gas is far away from any possible reading point, there should be a drop light.

Box couches are often desirable for the guest room, and here the hostess can place her own clothes that she is not then using, without interfering with those of the guest.

Of course every one knows that when there is running water or the old-fashioned washstand in the bedroom, there should be an abundance of fresh towels and soap, a bit of pumice stone, and a cap of fine sand soap for possible ink stains, and even when the bathroom with all these things is at hand, several towels, linen and bath, and soap, all arranged together on a shelf or ornamental tray, will add much to the comfort of the particular guest who more than dislikes to use soap that any one else has handled.

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## DATES FOR THE SPRING SHOWS

Annual Exhibition of Victoria Kennel Club During Second Week in April

### CONVENTION OF DELEGATES

Decided That the Annual Dog Shows Shall Last Only Three Days

The dates of the annual spring kennel shows have been arranged, it being decided that the local exhibition shall take place on the 7th, 8th, and 9th of April, the others following on week after week. This agreement was reached by a convention of delegates from the different Pacific Coast clubs held at Seattle the other day. The organizations represented were Vancouver, Victoria, Seattle, Tacoma and Portland. The idea of such a gathering, in order to thresh out the vexed question of dates, originated with the American clubs and received the hearty endorsement of the B. C. fanciers. It was proposed because of the fact that in the past it has been found impossible to make satisfactory arrangements by means of communication and, on that account, the success of shows often had been seriously interfered with.

T. P. McConnell, who went from this city, stated yesterday that, in the course of the discussion on matters affecting the annual spring shows, it was suggested that it would be wiser to reduce their duration from four to three days. That met with general approval and, accordingly, it was decided that in the drafting of a schedule the contemplated alteration would be brought into effect.

**The Dates.**  
The dates fixed as follows:  
Victoria—April 7th, 8th, and 9th.  
Vancouver—April 14th, 15th, and 16th.  
Seattle—April 21st, 22nd, and 23rd.  
Tacoma—April 23rd, 24th, and 30th.  
Portland—May 5th, 6th, and 7th.

### Rosy Outlook.

Throughout the proceedings Mr. McConnell asserts there prevailed a good-fellowship which promises well for the spring exhibition. He said that the representatives of the various clubs reported strong membership and a growing interest in the propagation of the thoroughbred canines of all breeds. When this was true it was apparent that nowhere was progress being made as rapidly as in Victoria. He thought that it would be found when the local sporting dogs were placed against others in the West that they would sweep off the highest honors without the slightest difficulty. Of course it could not be said that this city's fanciers were doing as well in other direction. Although personally he was not in close touch with the Island cocker spaniel fanciers he had learned while away that this species was receiving special attention on the other side. Therefore he would not be surprised if the Spring shows brought out some winner in that species from the kennels on the other side of the border.

### A Query.

Duncan, B. C., Dec. 16, 1908.  
Sporting Editor Colonist:  
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## ACCOUNT OF DAVIS CUP TENNIS DOUBLE

How Brookes and Wilding Defeated Messrs. Alexander and Wright

The championship tennis double at Melbourne, Australia, between the Americans and the colonial representatives is described by the *Sidney Morning Herald* as follows:

About noon the clouds lifted and the afternoon was beautifully fine, so that a crowd which is easily a record for any tournament in Victoria witnessed the final game for the doubles championship between Brookes and Wilding and the American Davis cup pair, B. C. Wright and F. B. Alexander. The gate receipts amounted to £163 17s. The total takings should be over £400, so that the association should make a profit of nearly £200.

On his form yesterday there can be little doubt that Wilding will be chosen as partner for Brookes on Friday next. He played a very brilliant game. Winning the toss, Brookes took service and won the first game to love. Changing ends, Wright took service and won the game, as did Wilding in the next. Alexander dropped his service with a double fault, and the other three winning in turn the first set went to Brookes and Wilding at 6-3.

Wright lost the opening service of the second set, and also the fifth; but all the other games were won by the server. The Australians won 6-2. In the third set Wright again lost his service, and Brookes followed his example, and Brookes won his own. The Americans, for the first time during the match, led at 2-1. The next three games went to the server, and Alexander losing the next the score was called 3 all. The Americans, however, captured Wilding's service in the next game, and Wright won his own, while Brookes lost his deal in the last game of the set, which went to the Americans at 6-4.

In the fourth—and, as it turned out, the final—set Alexander commenced well by winning his service, and until the fifth game, when the same player lost, the games went always with the service. Wright again failed to win in the seventh game, and Brookes finished the match by winning his service to 3-0.

In trying to reach the ball off the final stroke Alexander slipped, and fell full length, but was up almost at once and at the net congratulating the winners. It was a great match, finely played and much good sportsmanship was shown.

An analysis of the service shows that Wilding won seven and lost one, Brookes won seven and lost two, Alexander won five and lost three, while Wright won five and lost four.

Brookes and Wilding won six games to "love" while the Americans won one only to "love." Although they won 6 to 15, Brookes and Wilding won 125 aces to Wright and Alexander's 97. On the day the better pair won, and in their returns especially owed their victory to safe tempos rather than fireworks.

## LOCALS PLAY SEATTLE ON SATURDAY NIGHT

### INTERNATIONAL Y. M. C. A. BASKETBALL MATCH AT ASSEMBLY HALL

International Y. M. C. A. Basketball Match at Assembly Hall

The Victoria and Seattle Y.M.C.A. basketball teams will play one of the international league series of matches at the Assembly hall tomorrow night. For this contest the locals have been training for weeks and now they are in the finest possible shape. In Seattle they have opponents worthy of their steel. They won the championship of the coast last year, although the title was disputed by Vancouver and the rival teams were never able to decisively settle the matter. Last Saturday the Seattle boys defeated Bellingham by a score of 25 to 17. Victoria, some weeks before, carried off the honors against Bellingham by 33 to 17. This would appear to indicate that the locals have the advantage but it can't be said to be a conclusive evidence of which way the contest will go. At any rate there is no doubt but that the exhibition will be one of the finest seen here this season. G. A. Smith, of Vancouver, has been appointed referee, while G. Donaldson, of the J.B.A.A., will act as umpire. The match will start at 9 o'clock promptly and local players are asked to be ready shortly before that time.

### LEAGUE STANDING.

The present standing of the league follows:

	Won.	Lost.	To Play
Seattle	1	0	9
Portland	1	0	9
Tacoma	1	0	9
Victoria	1	0	9
Bellingham	1	4	5
Vancouver	1	1	8

Vancouver-Victoria game, scheduled for Dec. 3, postponed till some time in January.

### VICTORIA TO PLAY DAY AFTER XMAS

Pacific Coast League Soccer Match With Nanaimo Here Arranged—Referees

Ladysmith, Dec. 15.—A meeting of the executive committee of the Pacific Coast league was held here recently. Vice-President Hindmarch occupied the chair, and there were present A. Atton, of Vancouver; Messrs. C. Graham and A. Bradshaw, of Nanaimo, and Messrs. John Eno and A. Hallstones, of Ladysmith.

The chief business was the appointment of referees for January in the Pacific Coast league games, and the following appointments were made:

December 25—Nanaimo vs. Victoria, T. Strang; J. Ninnis, alternative.

January 1—Seattle vs. Victoria, A. Hallstones.

January 10—Nanaimo vs. Ladysmith, Mr. Veney; Mr. Cavers, alternative.

January 17—Ladysmith vs. Vancouver, A. E. Bradshaw.

January 23—Vancouver vs. Nanaimo, S. Thompson; F. Richardson, alternative.

The Nanaimo delegates brought up the matter of their game with Victoria, Christmas Day. Victoria could not travel on the 25th, owing to their being no trains, and had asked for another date. The Nanaimo delegates admitted that the Victoria team were justified in asking for an alteration under the circumstances, and suggested Saturday, the 26th. There were no Victoria delegates present, so it was decided that Victoria should be ordered to play off their scheduled game on the 26th. This was practically all the business transacted.

Tonight the Victoria rugby team will leave for Vancouver and tomorrow afternoon, against their mainland rivals, they will contest the second match of the McKechnie cup series. That they are confident of the outcome there is not the slightest doubt. In fact, one enthusiast was so inspired over the prospect of the battle that he broke into verse, the lines of which are given above. It has been suggested that the players and their many friends and admirers who will accompany them on this, the first trip of the season, should take up the swinging chorus when they enter the gates of Brockton point park.

The last practice of the island stalwarts was held last night and they are in the best of shape. As far as known every man who has been placed on the representative fifteen has succeeded in making arrangements to go away, so that, if nothing untoward occurs today, the Vancouver men will themselves against the best that Victoria can produce in the way of a rugby team.

The members of the Victoria team are requested to meet at the C.P.R. dock, preparatory to boarding the steamer *Princess Victoria*, at 10:30 o'clock. W. Moresby, the club's manager, will accompany them. Unfortunately W. H. Spalding, the secretary, has found it impossible to make the trip, being exceedingly busy elsewhere.

If someone would indite a rousing club song for the Victoria Rugby team he would be doing that organization a service. It is said with much justification that one of the greatest attractions in intercity or intercollege games of the eastern States or Canada is the stentorian chanting by the fans of the "yells" peculiar to the different institutions. Besides, though the sceptical may smile, these asides do much to inspire players during a hot battle. At present, as far as known, Victoria's team is without a rallying battle cry. It's up to someone, of poetical inclination, to take the initiative.

## SOCER MATCHES

Two Games Take Place Tomorrow Afternoon at Oak Bay Grounds

Through the kindness of the officials of the Victoria Hockey Club in foregoing their right to the use of the Oak Bay grounds tomorrow afternoon it has been possible to arrange for the two local league association football matches to take place there. The James Bay and the Garrison teams will try conclusions on one area while on the other the Victoria West and Cedar Hill teams will compete. The Esquimalt and Fifth Regt. teams have arranged to meet at the Work Point grounds.

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### THE KING'S BIRTHDAY.

How the Royal Family Celebrated the Anniversary.

The King celebrated his sixty-seventh birthday at Sandringham, surrounded by all the members of the Royal family who could possibly be present. Large house parties were entertained at both Sandringham House and York cottage, and the festivities in honor of the occasion were on a very extensive scale. His Majesty rose early, and was engaged with his private secretary (Lord Knollys) for some considerable time in attending to his correspondence. Congratulatory telegrams and letters were received by the King from all parts of the world, and a large number of handsome presents from royal and other distinguished persons. The Queen of Norway drove over from Appleton House, accompanied by Prince Olaf, to wish the King "many happy returns." Queen Maud handed His Majesty a present from herself and King Haakon, and the little prince who fondly embraced his royal grandfather, handed the King a present which had been brought specially from Norway. Later the Prince and Princess of Wales and their children walked to the house across the park from York Cottage. The children each had a present for the King, the nature of which had been kept secret. The gifts consisted of articles which they had made themselves in the playroom at York cottage.

Shortly after ten o'clock the King and Queen, with Princess Victoria and the Grand Duke Michael of Russia, left Sandringham in the afternoon and motored to Wolferton station, taking the three o'clock train from there to London. He was accompanied to the station by the Queen and Princess Victoria, and was specially guarded by a number of Russian and English detectives. The party remained in animated conversation in the royal waiting room until the arrival of the train, and then came out to the platform. The Grand Duke affectionately embraced the Queen and Princess Victoria, and then entered a reserved compartment.

As the train steamed out of the station he waived his adieux to the royal ladies, who then motored back to Sandringham.

The King entertained the whole of the gamekeepers, beaters, laborers, policemen and others engaged in connection with the royal shooting at the marquee erected in the park near the church, and attended by nearly 600 men. During the repast the King and Queen of Norway and the Prince and Princess of Wales paid a visit to the marquee. The King walked round the tables and chatted freely with his guests. The King's health was unusually good, and he was plied with questions. Sir Dighton Probyn, and after dinner a smoking concert was enjoyed.

In the evening the King arranged a cinematograph entertainment for Prince Olaf and the children of the Prince and Princess of Wales. The pictures shown were specially selected by the Queen, and were mostly of an amusing character.

The King and Queen were met at the front entrance to the hall by the Earl of Romney and Mr. Somerville A. Gurney, secretary to the Queen, and were most cordially received.

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# On the Waterfront

## STEERING GEAR BROKE IN TYPHOON

Trying Experience of the Big Steamer Suveric When On Way to This Port

## STOWAWAYS DISCOVERED

New Steamers to Be Secured for Bank Line Trans-Pacific Service

With her steam steering gear broken and from six to ten men clinging to a kicking hand-wheel, the steamer Suveric, Capt. W. Shotton, of the Bank line, which arrived from Manila and Hongkong and way ports yesterday, sailing from Yokohama on December 2nd, had a strenuous time in the trough of tremendous seas uplifted by a fierce typhoon encountered in the Formosan straits when a day out from Hongkong. The wind came first from the northeast with a very high sea and then came the circling winds of a fierce typhoon. Big seas swept over the Suveric as she rolled and pitched, one huge sea sweeping against the steam engine of the steering gear, rendered it useless. Swinging from beam to beam as her head fell off from the sea, the helpless steamer floundered into the trough of the big sea and rolled and labored heavily. The engineers came to work at once. Day and night, for thirty hours, while seas broke over them and spray and spume drenched them as they worked, they toiled to repair the broken steam engine, which was shored up and strengthened with timbers against the pounding of the seas, while, meanwhile, six men, and at times ten, clung to the kicking hand-wheel working desperately to keep the steamer's head on her course into the strong confused seas. The seamen who held that wheel, wrenching as it did in the typhoon, had no means an easy or comfortable task.

### Good Run to Japan

After clearing the Formosan strait, the steamer had comparatively good weather until arrival at Japanese ports.

Leaving Yokohama on December 2, she had a good run across the Pacific, experiencing three strong blows, but as they were fair winds they aided rather than retarded the light steamer. The Suveric had not a third of her cargo space full. She brought but 3200 tons, of which 120 tons was landed at the outer wharf, including a large consignment of Japanese oranges. The through freight included sixty tons of silk, worth in the neighborhood of \$150,000. There were 36 passengers, J. Lawrence, from Manila, and 35 Chinese, of whom three, all returned men, landed at the outer wharf.

### Chinese Stowaways

When the steamer was in the harbor at Hongkong ready to lift her anchor, there came a sampan with some police officers alongside and a search was made of the vessel. The result was that four stowaways, all Chinese, one of whom had letters of introduction to friends in Seattle, were located hidden on board. Some of the Chinese on board had assisted them. It seems that there was trouble over the division of the amount received by those who assisted the stowaways, and the result was that before the steamer sailed, a letter was sent to the authorities with their signature, stating that if search was made on the Suveric, seven stowaways would be located. Four only were found, the other three having seemingly gone ashore when they learned that the scheme had been laid bare.

Some additional steamers are to be secured for use in this line, according to advices received by officers of the Suveric. It is expected that the new Yoserie, the latest built steamer of the Bank fleet, which is coming to this coast to join the Australian line, will be placed in the Oriental trade after making one trip to the Antipodes, and it is also stated, confirming the reports published some time ago, that two new passenger steamers will be built for the line to take the places of the Shawmut and Tremont of the Boston Steamship Company, which formerly ran in connection with this line, and were withdrawn for sale to the United States government.

### News of Wreck

The Suveric brought further news that was cabled regarding the loss of the Japanese steamers Nagata Maru and Gimsei Maru, which went down near Wei Hui Wei, the latter with all the passengers and crew and only one survivor, a Chinese sailor of the crew of the Nagata Maru, reached the shore. The wreck was found twenty miles east of Chefoo, and the lone survivor of the disaster, who was living on the shore nearby, reported that when nearing Chefoo, the steamer encountered a strong gale, the engines breaking down during the storm and the vessel, left helpless, drifted ashore. He alone of all on board reached the shore. There were seventy passengers, of whom three were Japanese. The crew numbered about thirty people.

### River Rate War

News was brought from Shanghai

## LONSDALE BROUGHT FREIGHT FROM ENGLAND

First Shipment Brought From Liverpool Via Tehuantapec Railroad

The first through shipment of general merchandise, mostly groceries and hardware, brought from England by way of the Tehuantapec route, arrived yesterday morning on board the steamer Lonsdale, of the Canadian-Mexican Steamship line, which reached the outer wharf from Salina Cruz and way ports. The Lonsdale brought 300 tons of freight which was consigned from Liverpool on November 1 by the steamer Councillor, of the Harrison line, and was brought from Puerto, Mexico, to Salina Cruz, across the Ferro de Carril Nacional de Tehuantapec. Captain Worsnop, general manager of the Mexican line, is making arrangements to land through freight from Liverpool in Victoria in 43 days from the time it leaves the Mersey. To facilitate this arrangement the steamers will come north direct from Mazatlan instead of going up the Gulf of California to Guaymas. The Lonsdale lost six days there because of the necessity of making repairs following the collision with the steamer Virginian at Salina Cruz and three days because of making the run up the Gulf to Guaymas and Carmen Island, from where 300 tons of salt was brought. The schedule is to be rearranged and the sailings from Salina Cruz will be five days later in order to connect with the steamers running into Puerto, Mexico, from Liverpool and continental ports.

When the Lonsdale was lying at her wharf at Salina Cruz ready to start north the big steamer Virginian, of the American Hawaiian line, arrived in port and when proceeding to a berth ahead of the Mexican liner she took a sheer and bumped heavily against the local steamer, cutting through the plates of her bulwarks. The bulwarks of the Lonsdale suffered much from the starboard quarter to a place opposite No. 3 hatch and one stringer plate was cracked. A lifeboat was also smashed. Bonds were given by the agents of the Virginian for the amount of damage. A survey is being held on the Lonsdale and tenders will be called for the necessary repairs, which will be made while the steamer is discharging and loading cargo for the southbound trip.

The Lonsdale brought several passengers, including Dr. C. J. Stansby, wife and family; B. T. Godfrey and F. McNeill, engineers, and a Chinese who is bound to Hongkong. The cargo included \$60 tons of merchandise from the United Kingdom, 500 tons of salt and 40,000 feet of hardwood lumber.

Dr. Stansby, who has been living in Mexico for a short time, found conditions none too prosperous for a medical man there. He said that many of the native doctors prescribe for patients with the idea of receiving a percentage of the dispensary bills as their fees, and he found the opportunities for riches none too promising. He has been living in South America for some time, going to Iquique a year ago. He arrived at the Chilean port at the time the nitrate workers were on strike, and saw the tragedy of the plaza in Iquique when the government troops trained machine guns on the strikers, swarmed in the square and killed 150 of them. From Iquique he went to Lima, Peru, and found a revolution had broken out there.

At Manzanillo, when the steamer was at that port, great preparations were being made for the arrival of President Diaz, who was to open the Mexican Central railway, running across the republic from that point, on December 12.

At Acapulco the wreck of the bark Simla, which had been burning for some time and was considered a constructive total loss, was being offered for sale. A scheme was being put forward to tow the vessel to San Francisco and use her for a barge on the North Pacific coast.

## SEALSKIN PRICES WERE SAME AS LAST YEAR

Catch of Local Sealers Sold in London Yesterday Brought Good Figure

There was little change in the prices realized for the seal skins sold at the annual sales held by C. M. Lampson & Co. The Bering Sea skins brought an average of 39 shillings, and the coast catch an average of 92 shillings. The lots sold varied in price, ranging from \$19 to \$23 per skin. The average price realized by the Bering Sea catch is expected to work out at about \$21. The Copper Island skins, Japanese catch, and Cape of Good Hope and Cape Horn skins also sold for the same prices brought at the sales held last December.

The number of skins offered at this sale included about forty thousand in all. Not all the Victoria catch reached the London market in time for the sale, the catch of the Dorn Steward, for instance, being on the way to London now. About 3,000 of the skins taken by local sealmen, amounting to 4,400 in all, were offered at the sales of yesterday.

It is not known locally how many of the skins were sold. It is expected that the skins which failed to reach the market in time for the sale, will be sold in January. The 38 sea-otter skins taken by local sealing vessels will be offered to the buyers, as usual, at the March sale.

The American ship Erksine M. Phelps has been chartered to carry salmon from Seattle to New York. It is many years since the British Columbia salmon pack was shipped by sailing vessel.

### Hydrophobia Suspected

Toronto, Dec. 17.—Rev. J. D. Morrow, the Presbyterian minister, who was bitten by a dog some weeks ago, is going to the Pasteur Institute at New York for treatment, as the dog has since died from what is thought to have been hydrophobia.

A large part of this class of freight has always gone through Pacific coast ports, but since the recent ruling of the Interstate Commerce Commission, the merchants of the Atlantic coast are having their goods routed in the other direction. The loss to Pacific coast ports will be more noticeable as time goes on.

The steamer Inverie reached Yokohama on Wednesday from Puget Sound.

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## MARINE INTELLIGENCE

**Special to the Colonist**  
Tatooch, 8 a.m.—Clear, wind east, 16 miles an hour. Out schooner Aloha, barkentine Archer, schooner Robert R. Hind, schooners Forrester and Fred J. Sander.

Tatooch, noon—Clear, wind east, 15 miles an hour.

**By Wireless**

Tatooch, 8 a.m.—Clear, wind east, 16 miles an hour. Bar. 30.37, temp. 40. Passed in a steamer at 6:50 p.m. Passed out vessel, towing, at 5 a.m. Passed in, steamer at 5:10 a.m.

Pachena, 8 a.m.—Part cloudy, calm. Bar. 30.23, temp. 38. Sea smooth. No shipping.

Estevan, 8 a.m.—Cloudy and calm. Bar. 30.40, temp. 33. Sea smooth. In communication with Sitka.

Cape Lazo, 8 a.m.—Light snow falling, calm. Bar. 30.23, temp. 32. Sea smooth. At 10 p.m. spoke steamer Humboldt south of Cape Mudge, bound south. At 10:15 spoke steamer Yucatan at Nanaimo.

Point Grey, 8 a.m.—Part cloudy, calm. Bar. 29.97, temp. 33. No shipping.

Gonzales Hill, 8 a.m.—Bar. 30.25, temp. 34.

Cape Lazo, noon—Part cloudy, calm. Bar. 30.36, temp. 40. Sea smooth. At noon spoke steamer Yucatan, north bound, inside Seymour narrows.

Point Grey, noon—Clear and calm, fog over inlet. Bar. 29.98, temp. 38. Spoke steamer Humboldt at 10:20 a.m.

Tatooch, noon—Clear, wind east, 15 miles an hour. Bar. 30.43, temp. 40.

Estevan, noon—Cloudy, calm. Bar. 30.46, temp. 39. Sea smooth. Pachena, noon—Clear, wind southeast. Bar. 30.39, temp. 40. Sea smooth.

Cape Lazo, 6 p.m.—Part cloudy, calm. Bar. 30.40, temp. 35. Sea smooth. Spoke steamer Yucatan off Chatham point at 1:30. Black freight steamer with three masts passed south at 4 p.m.; south at 4:30 p.m., a three-masted hulk, towing.

Point Grey, 6 p.m.—Clear and calm. Bar. 29.98, temp. 32. In, freight steamer with two masts, black stack with two blue rings.

Tatooch, 6 p.m.—Clear, wind east, 5 miles an hour. Bar. 30.48, temp. 39. Out, a four-masted schooner, towing, at 12:45 p.m.

Estevan, 6 p.m.—Clear, calm. Bar. 30.31, temp. 39. Smooth sea. Ties passed southeast at 4:30 p.m.

Pachena, 6 p.m.—Clear and calm. Bar. 30.40, temp. 32. Sea smooth. No shipping.

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## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

F. Goldie, of Mayne Island, is at the King Edward hotel.

Richard John, of Saanich, was in the city yesterday.

John Rothwell, of Thetis Island, is at the Empress.

Julius Brethour, of Sidney, was in the city yesterday on business.

R. F. Burde, editor and proprietor of the Alberni Pioneer News, is in the city. He is staying at the Empress.

Chas. E. Howey, of Thetis Island, came to town yesterday. He is a guest at the Empress.

M. D. Couch, of Pincher Creek, Alta., registered at the Empress yesterday.

Mrs. Leon Cannusa left yesterday via the Northern Pacific on a visit to friends in Portland, Ore.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Steele left yesterday via the Northern Pacific for Los Angeles for the winter.

Thomas Carson left yesterday via the Northern Pacific on a three weeks' business trip to San Francisco.

Capt. Worsnop left this morning via the Princess Victoria on a business trip to Vancouver.

A. H. B. McGowan returned to Vancouver this morning, after a short business trip to this city.

T. Hooper, of the firm of Hooper & Watkins, architects, went over to Vancouver this morning.

Mr. John Henderson, manager of the Bank of Montreal at Vernon, is in Victoria for a few days.

Mrs. J. Irving was hostess at a very smart luncheon party on Thursday at her residence in Menzies street.

Hugh Moore, of Sidney, was among the passengers to the city by yesterday morning's train.

Mrs. H. K. Prior was a passenger from Seattle yesterday by the steamer Princess Royal.

Capt. John Irving returned from Tacoma yesterday as a passenger of the steamer Princess Royal.

Miss C. P. Wolley came to town by yesterday's V. & S. train, and intends making a short visit.

Charles A. Knell, of San Francisco, is in the city a few days and is among those registered at the Dominion hotel.

James Crossan, chief of police, Nanaimo, arrived on the noon train yesterday and is a guest at the Dominion.

Allan Brookes, of Okanagan Landing, is registered at the King Edward. He expects to be in the city a few days.

A. L. McConnell, of Vancouver, is spending a few days in the city, a guest at the King Edward hotel.

D. M. Rogers was among the arrivals from Vancouver by the steamer Princess Victoria yesterday.

H. Eagleson and family arrived from the mainland by the steamer Princess Victoria yesterday.

Hon. Edgar Dewdney was among the passengers from Vancouver by the steamer Princess Royal yesterday.

Mrs. F. Turgoose, of Saanich, was in the city yesterday. She returned by the afternoon train.

Master D. Picken, who has been attending the Collegiate school, left yesterday via the Northern Pacific for his home in Portland, Ore., where he will spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. C. D. Emmons, of Alaska, is in the city and registered at the King Edward.

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was truly great for it was his home. No doubt the cynic philosopher thought every night as he rolled himself into it, "There's no place like home." Many people of today Diogenes-like would rather live in a cot of their own than occupy a fine residence belonging to another. To such sensible ones we offer

### Two Modern Cottages Greatly Reduced in Price

Choice of either in good location on Princess Avenue. Each contains six good rooms; just completed; built by the best of workmen in fine, up-to-date style.

YOU SHOULD INVESTIGATE THIS—REALLY, THE SNAP OF THE SEASON

Any reasonable terms made to suit purchaser if sold at once

## P. R. BROWN, LIMITED

Telephone 1076.

Real Estate, Financial and Insurance Agents.

1130 Broad St.

## Acreage on Extremely Easy Terms

#### FINNERTY ROAD

Several good 10-acre blocks. Land is suitable for fruit and is close to waterfront. Attractive location.

**\$325 Per Acre**

Any kind of Reasonable Terms arranged

#### SHOAL BAY

Four acres of a fine quality of cultivated land, ideal for market garden.

**\$1500 Per Acre**

\$100 down. Balance spread over a long time.

#### PARKDALE

Forty lots in the Rowland's property, close to car line. High up, in garden. Worth \$1,000 an acre.

**\$750 Per Acre**

You can make your own terms.

## SEAVIEW (WORK ESTATE)

Corner Summit Avenue, Arthur and Blackwood Streets.

for only **\$1,050** 110x160 ft.

A splendid building site, with fine oak trees and very little rock. Water main on Summit Avenue

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## REDUCED TO SELL

The finest corner site on Oak Bay Avenue. Owner has made a reduction of 30 per cent. in price for one week only.

Now is the time to buy and build and get the benefit of cheap lumber

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BEFORE BUYING A HOME IN VICTORIA, CALL AND INSPECT OUR LIST OF PROPERTIES. OPPORTUNITY IS PROBABLY KNOCKING AT YOUR DOOR NOW. BUT TO GRASP IT YOU MUST BUY RIGHT, NOT WRONG. NOW, OUR EXPERIENCE IS AT YOUR SERVICE.

DON'T PROCRASTINATE. IF YOU HAVE MONEY TO INVEST, BUY NOW. WE HAVE ALWAYS SOME MONEYMAKERS.

& CASH IS ALWAYS ACCEPTABLE. INVESTMENTS MADE THROUGH US WILL BRING YOU MORE OF IT.

LOTS IN ALL PARTS OF THE CITY ON EASY TERMS.

ALSO HOUSES, FARMS, FRUIT LANDS AND TIMBER LIMITS.

RENTS COLLECTED, HOUSES AND ESTATES LOOKED AFTER.

KINDLY REMEMBER, WE NEVER CHARGE FOR ADVICE OR CONSULTATION.

**PRICE  
\$900**

**127 Feet Frontage by 120 Feet Deep**

On Wilson Street off Oak Bay Avenue. All modern improvements on street. Price \$900, Cash \$250. Arrange balance

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\$250**

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# VICTORIA REAL ESTATE

## SMALL FARMS

### GORDON HEAD

18 acres, all cultivated and tile drained and having nearly 1,500 feet frontage on Main Road. Price.....\$7,200  
7 acres, hay field slopes to S.W., 500 feet frontage on Tyndall Avenue. Price .....\$2,800  
14.80 acres, tile drained hay field, good well, few maple trees. Price .....\$5,900  
4 1-5 acres fine fruit land, some trees. Price .....\$1,200

### STRAWBERRY VALE

14½ acres on Holland Avenue. Two acres bearing orchard, balance cultivated meadow, large quantity small fruits, good water, 6 room dwelling, barns, etc. Price.....\$6,300  
40 acres, very fine land, over 25 acres cultivated. Six room dwelling, barn, etc. Price .....\$6,000  
20 acres on Main Road, 5 acres cultivated, balance slashed burnt and part cleaned. Price .....\$4,000

### SAANICH

20 acres, of which 12 acres are cultivated, 7 miles from Victoria, on a good road. Orchard of 150 trees, 2,000 strawberry plants. A nice 7 roomed bungalow, barn, three chicken houses, etc. Land is mostly black loam bottom land. There is a good running spring. Horse and foal, cow and calf and chickens, buggy, harness, tools, crop and household furniture. Price .....\$6,000  
14 acres, part of section 66, fronting on Lost Lake, mostly cultivated no buildings. Price .....\$5,600  
8 acres, Saanich Road, about 7 acres cultivated, city water. Price, per acre .....\$350  
3 ten-acre blocks of cultivated land overlooking Bazan Bay and fronting on Saanich Road. Price, each.....\$2,000  
15 acres wooded land at Colwood. Price.....\$1,500  
Terms can be made on any of the above.  
We issue Home List, a complete catalogue of all the best farms for sale on Vancouver Island.

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## R. S. DAY & B. BOGGS

620 FORT STREET, VICTORIA, B. C.

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## FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Eight roomed house, modern in every respect, on corner lot, 60x120, in best part of town, on car line. Price .....\$6,300.00  
FOR SALE—Small house and three full sized lots, Victoria West. Fruit trees, etc. Price .....\$3,250.00  
FOR SALE—Good Cottage and lot, Oak Bay avenue. Adjoining house similar in every respect rents for \$20 per month. Price.....\$1,500.00  
The above properties are good value for the price asked and can be recommended.

## J. MUSGRAVE

Cor. of Broad and Trounce Ave. Money to Loan on Approved Security

## Monthly Payment System of Buying a House

You cannot borrow the money and buy the lots and build the houses at the prices offered below—and look at the terms.

\$100 in cash and \$25 per month buys a neat, new modern five-room cottage, situated on Fort Street. Price .....\$2,000  
\$100 in cash and \$25 per month buys a fine, new, well-built Bungalow, everything modern and first class; has to be inspected to be appreciated. Close to car. Furnace. Price.....\$2,900  
\$500 in cash and \$25 per month buys a magnificent new nine-room residence, up-to-date modern and central, large basement, piped for furnace; concrete walk and foundation; situated on fine lot with good fruit trees; close to High School, in Carberry Gardens; one of the most fashionable residential districts in the city. Price.....\$5,000  
Suburban Home 10½ acres. Burnside Road, overlooking water. The best value we know. Terms to suit. Price.....\$5,000  
Six and Three-Quarter Acres—Three and one-quarter miles from City Hall. Cleared. Fine land, \$2,400

OUR COAL IS ALL COAL—VICTORIA FUEL CO'S

## McPherson & Fullerton Bros.

618 TROUNCE AVE. TEL. 1377.

## A Xmas Present

Could a young husband make a more sensible present to his estimable young wife than a

### Brand New 7-Roomed House Strictly Modern

in a good locality and worth at least \$3200?

PRIVATE—Husband! We will let you have this choice home for \$2,700, a clear saving to you of \$500. Terms very easy. Nothing like practising economy at the start.

## LATIMER & NEY

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## Choicest Small Farm in SAANICH

28 acres, 15 improved, highly cultivated, 5 more seeded to pasture, balance lightly timbered and easily cleared, beautifully situated for fruit growing and mixed farming, ½-mile from railroad station, 12 miles by good wagon road from Victoria. Land all sheltered from north and east winds, gently sloping side hill of 10 acres with southern exposure that will produce a revenue of at least \$500 to the acre in fruit, balance of the land all level with never failing stream of water through it and divided with good wire fencing into 3 fields, good 5-room bungalow cottage, barn with loft and wagon shed, stable for 6 head, also loose box stall, root house, piggery, outhouse for help, wagon shed, 9 poultry houses, with wire divisions and runs, carpenter shop and fruit packing room, all necessary farming implements, plows, harrows, rollers, cultivators, seeders, wagon, buggy, harness, cream separator, incubator, and numerous other tools, horse, 2 fine cows, 100 or more chickens, ducks, pigs, etc. 100 full bearing fruit trees, and 100 5-year-old trees. Will be sold as a going concern for only \$7,500. Terms.

T. P. McCONNELL

Corner Government and Fort St. (Upstairs).

Esquimalt Road, within City limits, 1 lot 95 x 120 .....\$700  
\$300 cash \$25 per month will buy 6-room cottage on 51 x 125 lot, nice garden, fruit trees, just outside City limits on car line. Total price .....\$1,600  
\$1,000 cash, balance to suit, will buy new 5-room cottage in nice garden, 15 minutes from Postoffice. Total price .....\$2,500  
\$300 cash, \$25 per month, will buy 5-room cottage in Victoria West, sewer connected and electric light. On two lots. Total price.....\$2,300  
Large well-built 8-room house, 85 x 120 lot, near in, well situated on car line. Terms. Price .....\$3,000  
Price Street, Victoria West, two corner lots, 60 x 140, each .....\$400

## E. A. HARRIS & CO.

INSURANCE

615 FORT STREET

MONEY TO LOAN

## For Sale

DUCHESS STREET—8 roomed house, new, all modern conveniences. \$1,800 cash. Price.....\$3,850

CHAUCER STREET—4 roomed cottage, new. On easy terms, only .....\$1,900

GARBALLY ROAD—6 roomed cottage, new. Cash price .....\$2,600

STANLEY AVENUE—7 roomed house, modern and in first class order. This is a very good buy at \$3,700

HILLSIDE AVENUE—7 roomed house, new. Only \$800 cash, balance on terms. Price.....\$3,150

## THE GRIFFITH COMPANY

Mahon Building

Room 11.

### A DEAD MAN

Can get along with a small lot, but a LIVE MAN can make some money by buying that great, big double corner, on Blackwood and Montrose streets, 109x112 feet, for \$700. A beautiful bit of park overlooking the town.

### BLAME THE OWNER

For sacrificing that choice property on Belmont avenue. He placed it on the "bargain counter," and cut the price to six bits on the dollar. It is worth \$8,000, but \$6,000 will get it—11-room house, fruit trees, shrubbery, large grounds, everything. This is a beautiful home, well located. Look after this the first thing Monday morning.

### WE HAVE FOUND

Your opportunity if looking for value in acreage under cultivation. Only 4 miles out and on a good road. Eighteen (18) acres, choice land, with excellent house and barn; a going concern. The hay alone on part of it this year netted the owner 6 per cent on what he asks for the entire concern. It will please us to show this, as we know it will please you to see it.

We have a nice little cottage, at a nice little price, and on easy terms. Will tell you all about it the next time you ask about a bargain in a home.

## "Queen Charlotte"

This new townsite, beautifully situated on Skidegate Inlet, Queen Charlotte Islands, will soon be the home of thousands. It has all the features essential to the upbuilding of a large city.

- (1) It has an unexcited harbor.
- (2) It has a level situation.
- (3) It has plenty of good water and gravity power.
- (4) It is backed up by a country almost unlimited in its resources.

Lots now for sale at low prices. Full particulars on application.  
Ask us for a free copy of the "Queen Charlotte News."

## Western Finance Co.

Phone 1062.

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1236 Gov't St. (Upstairs)

## FOR SALE

Six-roomed house, all newly painted and in good order. One block from Douglas street car. Price \$2,000. Very reasonable terms.

Seven-roomed house, Oak Bay district, completely new and modern in every respect. Price \$5,000. Terms to suit.

For particulars apply—

## ARTHUR COLES

Real Estate, Fire, Life and Marine Insurance.

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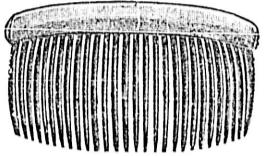
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# TWO WHOLE PAGES OF BARGAINS

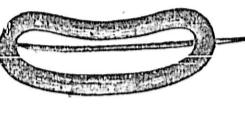
We have planned to make today a record breaker. A record breaker in the volume of business done for one day, and a record breaker for holiday value giving. These pages speak for themselves. They are simply alive with bargains. We never do things by halves. You will be surprised with the opportunities that await you here today.

## Friday Bargains in Fancy Combs and Jewelry

Our whole stock of fancy Back Combs with Rhinestone settings and Sterling Silver mountings go on sale today. These are our highest grade goods. In addition we will offer a lot of barrettes and hair ornaments, also jeweled hat pins and souvenir jewelry and other articles, all at great savings. From this list you can select splendid gifts, either expensive or inexpensive.



ONE ONLY BACK COMB, was \$2.00. Today's price **\$1.50**  
TWO ONLY BACK COMBS, were \$17.50. Today's price is **\$11.50**



ONE ONLY BACK COMB, was \$0.00. Today's price **\$6.50**

ONE ONLY BACK COMB, was \$0.50. Today's price **\$4.50**

ONE ONLY BACK COMB, was \$8.75. Today's price **\$3.50**

JEWELLED HAIR BARRETTES, reg. 50c. Today's price **25c**

JEWELLED HAIR BARRETTES, reg. \$1.00, \$1.75 and \$1.50. Today's price **50c**

PLAIN SHELL HAIR BARRETTES, regular 40c and 50c. Today's price **25c**

HAIR BARRETTES, plain shell, regular 15c and 25c. Today's price **10c**

JEWELLED HAT PINS, special tomorrow at 10c, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and **\$1.50**

CHAINS, cased in gold, with souvenir lockets, regular 50c, today **25c**

SOUVENIR PINS AND BROOCHES, regular 25c. Today **10c**

SOUVENIR PINS, sterling silver and hard enamel, regular 50c, today **25c**

LEATHER WRIST PURSES, for holding car tickets and small change, regular 35c. Today **10c**

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# SPENCER'S BARGAIN PAGE NO. 2

## Friday Bargains in the Book and Stationery Depts.

Savings on Books and Stationery should be most welcome this time of year. These values will make your money go much further.



Buster Brown, Foxy Grandpa, Pore Lil Mose and Little Nemo Books, reg. 60c, today ..... **50c**

Teddy Bear, A B C Book, by Laura Rinkle Johnston, reg. 75c. Today ..... **50c**

LEATHER POETS, padded in red or black, Shakespeare, Tennyson, Cooper, Browning, Wordsworth, Dante and many others, regular price \$1.00. Today **75c**

VOYAGE OF THE WISHBONE BOAT, a splendid book for young folks, illustrated and beautifully bound, regular **\$1.25**. Today ..... **75c**

CHRISTMAS POST CARDS, assorted. Today, per dozen ..... **25c**

BIBLES, a big line of leather bound bibles yapped edges, extra values for today at ..... **50c**

Alger and Henty Books, large list of titles to choose from, regular 35c, today **25c**

Henty Books, well bound, fine list of titles, regular **\$1.25**, today ..... **75c**

Fancy Calendars, reg. 10c. Today ..... **5c**

MAGNOLIA LIBRARY, bound in green cloth, with illustrated cover, titles in white letters, such authors as Holmes, Bradden, Dumas and others. Special today at ..... **35c**

TUCK'S ANIMAL TOYS for Children, six in a box. Today, per box ..... **25c**

FANCY HOLLY BOXES OF STATIONERY. Special today at ..... **35c**

POSTCARD ALBUMS, holding 150 cards. Special today ..... **15c**



## Christmas Umbrellas \$1.00



Umbrellas for a person living on the Pacific coast are an absolute necessity. The lines are selected for special selling today with the view of supplying the call for useful, inexpensive gifts. Any of the umbrellas mentioned are worth much more than this price.

MEN'S SELF OPENING UMBRELLAS, good, fast black tops, strong frames. Special today ..... **\$1.00**

MEN'S Strong Frame Umbrellas, serviceable fast black tops. Special today ..... **\$1.00**

## Children's Muslin Pinafores 20c

A VERY Neat Little Pinafore, for small children. Made of soft muslin, trimmed with square yoke of embroidery, full around the bottom of skirt. As a special for today these 30c Pinafores for ..... **20c**

## Children's Colored Pinafores 20c

A QUANTITY of colored Pinafores, made of good quality print and some in cream holland. Well made in neat styles and at less than you would pay for the materials. Regular price 30c. Today at ..... **20c**

## Women's Mitts on Sale Today

Women's fleece lined Suede Mitts, fur tops, regular price \$1.00, Today ..... **75c**

Women's Fleece Lined Kid Mitts, regular price \$1.00. Special for Today ..... **75c**

## Toys on Sale for Today

REGULAR **\$1.25** ROCKING HORSES ..... **75c**

NEW STYLE SHOO-FLY on Child's Rocking Horse, red painted seats, a really useful toy. Regular **\$1.25**. Today ..... **75c**

ONE MOTOR CAR, good for two, in dark green, with gilt lines, slight damage to one crank. Regular **\$2.50**. Today ..... **5.00**

ONE HORSE, in fine American leather, fitted to go-cart. Regular **\$1.80**. Today ..... **1.00**

ONE HORSE, in metal go-cart, with red cloth seats for two. Regular **\$2.50**. Today ..... **1.00**

KITTY BOWLS, the new game, the parlor style of lawn bowling. Very interesting and amusing, also entirely different from any other game, complete with rules ..... **1.50**

SPECIAL TABLE OF TOYS AT **25c**, including the following: Rubber Balls, Wool Balls, Pewter Soldiers, Toy Horses, Banks, Cash Registers, Groscope Tops, Harmony Tops, Santa Claus, Motor Cars, Sirens, Whistles, Tea Sets, Wash Sets, Brass Beds, Toy Scales, Rattlers, Comforters, Sideboards, Noah's Ark, Clown Fiddler, Mechanical Dogs, Violins, Pianos, Blow Accordions, Musical Barrels, Tool Sets, Milk Carts, Watches, Animals of all kinds, choice today at **25c**

## Children's Colored Pinafores 20c

AN ODD LOT of Small Table Covers in a variety of shades in pretty floral and conventional patterns, finished with tassels. Very suitable for cushion tops. Regular price **75c**. Today ..... **35c**

FRAMED PICTURES, worth up to **\$1.25**, choice today ..... **25c**

FRAMED PICTURES, worth up to **\$2.50**, choice today ..... **50c**

## The Annex Offers Special Values for Today



CREAM AND SUGAR SETS, prices ranging from **\$3.75** to ..... **50c**

CELERY TRAYS, prices ranging from **\$3.00** to ..... **50c**

BITTICK JARS, prices ranging from **\$2.50** to ..... **75c**

HAT PIN HOLDERS, prices ranging from **\$1.75** to ..... **50c**

SALAD BOWLS, prices ranging from **\$5.75** to ..... **25c**

FANCY FERN POTS, prices ranging from **\$2.50** to ..... **75c**

PUFF BOXES, prices ranging from **\$1.25** to ..... **50c**

HAIR RECEIVERS, prices ranging from **\$1.25** to ..... **50c**



BON BON, prices ranging from **\$2.00** to ..... **25c**

MAYONNAISE DISHES, prices ranging from **\$1.75** to ..... **75c**

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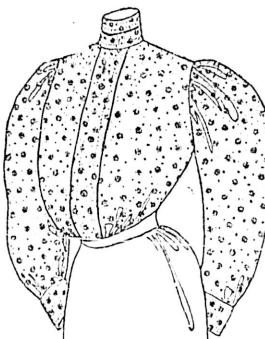


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## Friday Bargains in Housekeeping Helps

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\$30.00 Carpet Squares, For **\$22.50**

AXMINSTER AND WILTON CARPET SQUARES, fourteen only to sell. Rich, soft toned colorings, in fawns, reds, greens and blue, with floral, conventional and Oriental designs. Sizes oft. x oft., 8ft. 3in. x 10ft. 6in., 9ft. x 10ft. 6in. Regular values, \$25.00 to \$30.00. Today's price ..... **\$22.50**

50c Linoleums, **40c**

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\$4.00 Hearth Rugs, **\$2.90**

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75c Table Covers For **35c**

AN ODD LOT of Small Table Covers in a variety of shades in pretty floral and conventional patterns, finished with tassels. Very suitable for cushion tops. Regular price **75c**. Today ..... **35c**

65c Mantel Drapes For **35c**

40 MANTEL DRAPES, made of fine cotton material in pretty floral designs on green, red, pink, blue and light grounds, finished with fringe. Regular 50c and 65c. Today ..... **35c**

35c Cretonnes For **17½c**

300 Yards of Cretonnes, in a good assortment of designs on white, cream, green, red, blue and pink grounds, 32-in. wide. Regular prices 25c and 35c. Today ..... **17½c**

### Pictures to Be Cleared Today

FRAMED PICTURES, worth up to **\$1.25**, choice today ..... **25c**

FRAMED PICTURES, worth up to **\$2.50**, choice today ..... **50c**

### Fancy Work Specials

Brush and Comb Bags, regular 50c, today ..... **25c**  
Stamped Post Card Holders, regular 65c, today for ..... **25c**

Bolting Cloth Centre Pieces, embroidered in silk, regular \$1.00, today 50c. Regular \$1.50, today ..... **1.00**

Canton Linen Cushion Covers, regular \$5.00, today ..... **2.50**

Canton Linen Embroidered Blouse Lengths, regular \$6.50, today ..... **3.25**

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### Friday Footwear Bargains and Christmas Suggestions

300 PAIRS INFANT'S BOOTS AND SLIPPERS—In black or tan Kid, blucher cut or balmorals, ankle and one strap. Also in patent leather. All genuine hand turned soles. Regular values from \$1.00 to \$1.75. Today ..... **75c**

60 PAIRS WOMEN'S Kid, One Strap, X Strap and other strap slippers. Also patent colt strap slippers. Hand turned soles and French heels. Regular \$2.75 and \$3.50. Today ..... **1.75**

WOMEN'S PATENT COLT BLUCHER BOOTS—Dull kid tops, medium weight soles, Cuban heels. A neat, yet dressy boot of American manufacture ..... **\$3.50**

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**GROWING UNREST IN THE INDIAN EMPIRE**

Policy of Morley Apt to Foster It—Demonstrations By Indian Home-Rulers

(By Our Own Correspondent) Calcutta, Dec. 17.—In reference to an increase in the contribution by India to the cost of the white man in the country, considerable dissatisfaction is felt here. Apart from the natural demand at paying \$1,500,000 more, there is another cause of uneasiness of recent growth and of a more serious nature. It is recognized both in London and India that in his administration Lord Morley now places little reliance in and makes small use of his permanent officials, of selected capacity and experience, both in the India Office and in the government of India. Never before has there been such interference in the pettiest matters; never before has the advice of expert advisers been thus disregarded. That no open complaint has yet been made in due to the esprit de corps of the service, who have extended the fullest loyalty to the Secretary of State, whose distinguished past, personal charm and transparent honesty mark him out among the holders of his office.

Government Not Consulted.

This matter naturally receives attention at the present moment, when, so far from having obtained the government of India's support to this important change, Lord Morley has apparently not even consulted it. It would be better at the present juncture if the chosen advisers were taken into the confidence of the Secretary of State for India, for under those circumstances Lord Morley would be the first to admit that it is impossible that a Secretary, who has never set foot in India, and never made the subject of special research, can without assistance from his official advisers, carry on the work of this huge sub-continent.

Partition Day.

"Partition Day," the third anniversary of the partition of Bengal, passed off in Calcutta without serious disorder, although there were one or two acts of violence. The anti-partition demonstrators, under Surendra Nath Bannerjee, made persistent efforts to out-maneuver the police. They were determined to hold their meeting at five p.m., and the police equally determined that they should not. Mr. Bannerjee began by disregarding the first police notice prohibiting it. When faced on the subject he forced his way into the meeting of the words "within half an hour of sunset." The Police Commissioner could not see the force of Mr. Bannerjee's argument, and fresh notices were issued by the demonstrators announcing that the meeting would be held not at the Federation Hall site, which was banned, but close to Mouli Durga in Entally, which was not. It was now for the police to move. Shortly after noon an order was issued by Mr. Birley, magistrate of Alipore, putting this place also out of bounds. This baffled the Home Rule natives, for at that hour there was no time to change the meeting place. The celebration of partition day commenced at an early hour, large processions marching to the river singing anti-partition songs. A number of shops were closed in the native quarter of the town, and after the bathing ceremony the men banded themselves together and marched to Beadon Square, where a demonstration was held. It is estimated that 10,000 people were present there. The demonstrators bound rakhsis round each other's wrists as a token of brotherly feeling. Surendra Nath Bannerjee presided over the meeting. In his speech made in Bengal, Mr. Bannerjee enjoined his hearers to forget all their differences and to unite in services to the Motherland, to keep up the Swadeshi spirit, and maintain their Swadeshi vow. They must be men before they could do this.

Demonstration at Dacca.

As a counterblast to the proceedings of the anti-partitionists in Calcutta, a demonstration in Dacca, the capital of the separated province, is worth notice. Here the third anniversary of the partition and of the Provincial Mohammedan Association of Eastern Bengal and Assam was celebrated with great enthusiasm. There was a large gathering of the members and muslissi delegates from the different districts. The proceedings began at three p.m. in orthodox style, with the reading of the Koran. The president, the Hon. Nawab Behar Khojeh Salim Alih, C.S.I., being ill, could not take any part in the celebration, and Khojeh Mahomed Azum took his place and read the presidential address on his behalf. The address eloquently pointed out the benefit already derived from the partition and asked the Mohammedans to take full advantage of the opportunity offered by the partition. All the members and delegates were entertained at a grand dinner by Khojeh Mahomed Shummuiddin Shams-ud-din, a prominent member of the Nawab's family. About 1,000 beggars were liberally fed with pilau and other cooked food.

LOCAL OPTION

Results of Voting on Question in Several Municipalities of Manitoba

Winnipeg, Dec. 16.—Yesterday twenty-four municipalities in Manitoba, both town and rural, voted on the local option question. In some the bylaw was being introduced, in others a bylaw to repeal local option was before the people. In most of the municipalities heavy votes were polled, and the contest was carried on with the utmost vigor. Nine municipalities have gone dry, nine have gone wet, and one has tied. Two contests were called off, and there are five yet to be heard from, namely, Argyle, Albert, Balfour, Napanee and Saskatchewan.

The municipalities which have voted in favor of introducing the bylaw are Emerson (town), Hamiota (rural), Minnitonka, Roblin and Winchester.

The municipalities where bylaws to introduce local option have been defeated are Carberry, Franklin, Louise, Morris, Russell, Selkirk and Westbourne.

The municipalities voting in favor of continuing established local option are: Pipestone, Swan River, North Norfolk, Edward and Odanah. Besides the tie in South Norfolk, in Grandview an injunction prevented a vote being taken. In Deloraine town the bylaw was withdrawn last week.

Probably the keenest fight was in Kildonan, where a bylaw was before the electors to repeal the existing local option bylaw. A big vote was polled, which resulted in the repeal of the local option bylaw. In Emerson, local option carried by one vote and in South Norfolk the polling resulted in a tie. In North Norfolk local option was sustained by a majority of six and a bylaw introducing it was defeated in Russell by a majority of three, after a very hot fight. Complete returns are not to hand, but the honors of the campaign seem to be pretty even.

Kildonan was the only municipality switched from local option to license, and in the case of South Norfolk, which was a tie, the result remains to be interpreted.

Peachers' Beacon Destroyed

Prince Rupert, Dec. 16.—A beacon light was found on Stephens Island last week by Captain Newcomb of the Canadian fisheries cruiser Kestrel, and brought to this city. It is a large wooden box, four feet high and three feet square, with four-light oil tank sashed on three sides, and an oil tank in the bottom which supplied two large burners, making it visible for a long distance. It is supposed to have been used by the American fishing poachers as a beacon to guide them to a safe harbor where they could clean their halibut caught in Heceta strait. This is the second light found and destroyed by the Kestrel this year.

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5—pair, silk blouse set.

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7—1 dozen cups and saucers.

8—ladies' silk scarf.

9—small satsuma bowl.

10—brass flower vase.

11—half dozen cups and saucers.

12—fancy tea pot.

13—cake plate.

14—bon-bon dish.

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Among our 14k. Gold Bangle Bracelets, those in pierced patterns of English gallery are particularly favored, others in plain, round, flat and stone set. Prices from \$10 to \$75.

**Cut Glass**

Rich Cut Glass Berry Bowls, in our handsome "cuba" patterns, 8 in. size sells at \$5. Others up to \$30.

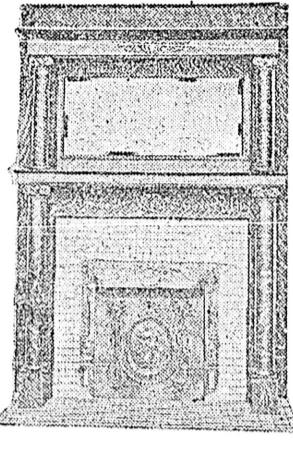
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## LAWLESSNESS MARKS CLOSE OF EXHIBITION

Mob Wrecks Buildings on Closing Night of Edinburgh's Fair

(By Our Own Correspondent.)

Edinburgh, Dec. 17.—With the closing of the Exhibition in this country has somehow come to be associated an outbreak of the spirit of lawlessness. The termination of the Scottish National exhibition recently furnished no exception to that experience, but the precautions taken were sufficient to check my serious destruction of property. For a time, however, the situation was distinctly threatening. In one or two instances individuals came into sharp conflict with the police, but the wise direction of the officers of the law by Chief Constable Ross effectively prevented anything in the nature of organization on the part of the mob. A number of arrests, chiefly for assaults upon police constables, were made, but only one case was regarded as of a grave character. It is that of a young man who, after taken into custody for an offence of that kind, was found to have a couple of stones in his pockets. He was locked up. Several other arrests were made, but the persons, nearly all of them big lads, were released on giving their names and addresses, and may or may not be proceeded against. About half a dozen persons suffering from injuries found their way to the Royal Infirmary.

## Raid on Bandstand.

Frustrated of any hope of being able to regain the weapons of which they had denuded themselves, the wilder spirits made a successful raid upon the unprotected bandstand. Chairs were crashed together and broken in pieces to provide new weapons. Other chairs were thrown to the ceiling of the bandstand with disastrous consequences to the lighting arrangement. The smashing of two large gas globes appeared to yield great delight, and the remainder of the lights would have been served in the same fashion but for the sudden appearance of the police who quickly cleared the place of intruders. The hour of closing of the Exhibition had been extended for an hour to eleven p.m. By that time the police had been dealing with the crowd, the disorderly element in which probably numbered one or two hundred youths, for over an hour. Their patience was but ill-rewarded, and closing time having been reached the method of dealing with the crowd known as "the drive" was adopted. Firmly the crowd was pressed back toward the exits. In this work the services of the mounted police were invaluable, for the loiterers did not stop to argue the point with the horses. A large part of the crowd was pressed gradually through the Murray field gate, which was then closed. To get the remainder out at the Gorgie entrance presented greater difficulties, the gate being reached by a long avenue, off which paths lead back to other parts of the grounds. A section of the crowd which found its way into these regions made the attempt to return, but was met by a considerably larger force than it perhaps expected. By half-past eleven o'clock it was found possible to close the gates of the Exhibition finally upon the public, little material damage having been done, but the night was one of the most turbulent that had ever been seen in Edinburgh.

## Declared Closed.

The duty of formally declaring the Scottish National Exhibition at an end fell to Sir Robert Cranston, K.C.V.O., the chairman of the Executive Committee. He made the announcement from the balcony over the main entrance to the Industrial Hall. Supporting Sir Robert were most of the members of the Executive Committee, the secretary, Mr. James Marchbank, S.S.C.; and the manager, Mr. W. H. Knight. In front of him was a crowd of over 20,000. Viewed from the titlitude of the balcony, the great square presented a scene that will not readily be forgotten by those who were privileged to witness it.

So far everything has passed off in the most orderly fashion. It was about 9:30 p.m. The caterer had announced his determination to close the various bars at that hour. One of the chief of these was what was known as the Terrace bar. It occupied part of the Industrial Hall directly facing the square, and was reached by flights of steps between grassy banks protected by short metal railings. After hearing all that was to be heard, a certain element in the crowd made a dash for the Terrace bar. It had been closed. About half a dozen police constables mounted guard over the door without the sound of the rush for a time, but the mob was persistent, and the troubles of the police were added to when the bar came to be cleared of its visitors. Many of the latter before leaving the premises had provided themselves with empty bottles and glasses; others had wrenched off the metal advertisements round the walls of the bar, and carried them forth. The use of these trophies as missiles came in latter.

Canada has an area of 3,745,574 square miles, a little more than that of the United States proper, with a second set of the twelve southern states added. Her population is 6,000,000, about the same as that of the New England States. Her percentage of gain in population is large, and it is increasing as that of this country was when the first strong tide of immigration began to set this way.

Canada's six principal cities, with their population as given by the census of 1903, are as follows:—Montreal, 260,730, about equaling Newark, N. J.; Toronto, 208,040, about equaling Louisville, Ky.; Quebec, 68,840, about equaling Evansville, Ind.; Hamilton, 52,634, about equaling Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Winnipeg, 42,340, about equaling Akron, Ohio. These cities have all grown since the census, particularly Winnipeg.

For the nine months ended March 31, 1908, Canadian imports reached a total of \$259,786,607, of which the United States sold her about \$175,000,000. For the same period her exports were \$205,277,197, of which \$58,000,000 came to the United States. Her four main items of export were: Wood and wooden manufactures, \$4,097,317; cheese, \$22,006,584; wheat, \$20,927,929; cattle and live stock, \$10,932,530. —Duluth Evening Herald.

## Looking to Universal Penny Post.

It certainly seems an incongruity that the postage of letters going from Great Britain, 3,000 miles across the Atlantic to the United States, a country that is not a part of the British empire, should be only twice as much as the postage for letters that only have to travel the twenty-two miles that separate Dover from Calais. People should still have to pay five cents.

Henniker Heaton, the indefatigable postal reformer, writes to the Times regarding in a novel manner his old advocacy of a universal penny postage. According to official statistics the number of letters sent to the United States is roughly 50,000,000 annually. If the postage were reduced from five to two cents there would be loss of \$1,500,000.

Assuming, however, that the number of letters would be doubled, the loss in the first year would only amount to \$500,000. Now, Henniker Heaton proposes that the government should treat this matter on a business basis and sanction the issue of a universal penny postage loan of \$5,000,000, which, he thinks, would be amply sufficient to meet the initial sacrifice of revenue and also to provide a sinking fund for paying off the loan in ten years.

David McLaren, lumberman, is now president of the Bank of Ottawa.

## CHURCHILL PROPOSES BOARD OF ARBITRATORS

Names of Those Willing to Serve on Panels From Which Court Will Be Drawn

London, Dec. 17.—Mr. Winston Churchill's proposal for the establishment of a court of arbitration in connection with the board of trade, which would mediate in labor disputes, has been enthusiastically taken up by employers and trade unionists. The following have already agreed to serve on the panels from which the court will be chosen:

## Panel of Chairman

The Duke of Devonshire, Lord Selby, Lord St. Aldwyn, Lord Balfour of Burleigh, Lord James of Hereford, Lord Lochee, Lord MacDonnell, Sir Edward Fry, Sir John Dickson-Poyner, Sir Francis Hopwood, Sir Alfred Bateman, Mr. Ernest Moon, K.C., Mr. G. R. Askwith, K.C., Mr. A. A. Hudson, Mr. W. B. Yates.

## Panel Drawn from Employers

Lord Pirrie, Lord Glantavie, Sir Hugh Bell, Sir W. T. Lewis, Sir Charles McLaren, Sir S. B. Boulton, Sir A. Spicer, Sir Benjamin Brown, Sir C. Furness, Mr. T. Ratcliffe Ellis, Mr. C. G. Hyde, M.P., Mr. L. A. Martin, Mr. W. H. Mitchell, Sir W. Holland, Sir F. Forbes Adam, Mr. Alexander Siemens, Mr. Douglas Upton.

## Panel Drawn from Workpeople

Messrs. G. N. Barnes, M.P., R. Bell, M.P., C. W. Bowerman, M.P., W. Brace, M.P., John Barnett, Right Hon. T. Burt, M.P., Frank Chandler, W. J. Davis, James Gavin, A. H. Gill, M.P., Arthur Henderson, M.P., G. D. Kelley, M. P., J. D. Prior, E. L. Richardson, D. J. Shackleton, M.P., T. Smith.

In case of a dispute a chairman will be taken from the first panel, and two arbitrators from each of the other two panels. This court will then consider the points at issue.

Technical assessors may also be appointed by the board of trade at the request of the court or of the parties to assist in the deliberations, but without any right to vote.

## Ancient Scone Palace.

One of the finest old Scottish residences is Scone Palace, near Perth, the ancient centre of the Pictish capital, former crowning place of the kings of Scotland, and now the residence of the Earl of Mansfield, representative of the ancient family of Stormont. Although the old abbey of Scone was destroyed several hundred years ago and the site is now occupied by a comparatively modern building, much of ancient association has been preserved and the palace is still a noble and venerable looking pile, its dull red castellated towers backed by luxuriant woods and facing over stretches of rolling green park, the meeting place of the Almond and Tay.

The great gallery at Scone, which is 160 feet long, occupies the place of the old hall where kings were crowned in days of yore, the coronation of Charles II having taken place there in 1651 and that of the Chevalier St. George

in "the Fifteen." Among the valued relics of the house are the old four post beds used by James VI, and another with hangings of richly wrought velvet, said to have been the work of the fair but ill-fated Queen Mary during her imprisonment at Lochleven.

Even of later years Scone has been honored by the visits of royalty, her Majesty Queen Victoria having paid quite a long visit at the palace in 1842, the occasion of her first visit to Perth, and again after the death of the Prince Consort. The present Earl has done wonders for the palace in the way of introducing modern improvements, both within and without, and bringing the domestic arrangements up to date in every way.—From the Queen.

## Not So Black.

One day last season, as the barley in my fields was ripening, the blackbirds began to gather about it, and my farmer began to anathematize them as thieves and robbers, feeding upon what they did not sow. "Why, they come," said he, "in clouds from Nau-shan, and all about us." Notwithstanding, I told him I was satisfied that they did more good than harm, and that they were welcome to their share. The harvest began, and as the mowers reached the middle of the field they found the stalks of the grain very much stripped and cut up by the army worm. When the barley was down, they commenced to march out of the field in a compact stream through the barway into the next one, and here we saw clearly what the blackbirds were after. They pounced upon them and devoured them by thousands, very materially lessening their numbers. The worms were so numerous that they could not destroy them all, but they materially lessened them and their power of mischief. All honor, then, to the blackbirds, which are usually counted mischievous, and are destroyed by farmers like vermin.—Boston Advertiser.

## PRINCELY GIFT TO FURTHER SCIENCE

Jacob Sasseon Gives Indian Government Millions For Science Institute

Calcutta, Dec. 17.—Mr. Jacob Sasseon has addressed a letter to Sir George Clarke, in which he says: "In view of the pressing need for improved science teaching in Bombay, I offer to government Rs. 10,000,000 (\$3,500,000) towards the creation of a Central Science Institute on modern lines, to be named after me, to be open to all students and not confined to students of any individual college, and to be located near the present University of Bombay." The offer has been accepted by the government.

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## BULGARIA NO MATCH FOR OTTOMAN EMPIRE

The latter could put greater forces in field—A companion

Paris, Dec. 17.—It was generally thought that, as the Bulgarians had long been preparing for war, the Turks would have had no chance against them. But Colonel Djemal Bey and Dr. Nazim, who have already been mentioned as having come to Paris as delegates of the Sidonika committee of union and progress put the question in a very different light, and their argument is interesting. They declare that, in their opinion, Bulgaria has been playing a game of bluff, as she is well aware that she is no match for Turkey. By the time that Bulgaria would have brought her forces to the frontier, Turkey would have had at Adrianople an army of 220,000 men, with 576 guns, and on the Macedonian border an army of 200,000 men, with 450 guns; these two forces being composed of the first three army corps. The fourth army corps and the fifth would have been transported to Europe from Asia Minor within a month, and 60,000 men landed at Varna or Durazzo. The Bulgarians would only have been able to send nine divisions, about 200,000 men, to the frontier, with 350 guns, to oppose a Turkish army of 420,000 men, as their boast that they can put 320,000 men into the field is preposterous. So Bulgaria, as the delegates contend, would have had no chance against Turkey.

## Agricultural Progress in Rhodesia.

The representative of the British South Africa company informs The Standard of Empire that there are in Rhodesia today over a thousand farmers. They are nearly all earning a good living, and most of them are reinvesting their earnings in the farm, whilst some are already wealthy according to the standards of older countries. There are now fourteen agricultural associations, all affiliated to the Rhodesian Agricultural Union, and four Agricultural Show associations, while the British South Africa company maintains an Agricultural and Veterinary department and issues an agricultural journal. At the last three annual meetings of the Rhodesian Agricultural Union not a pessimistic word was spoken by the farmers present, and a leading Rhodesian merchant recently stated that the farmers were the soundest class of men in the country, and that he intended to go to Rhodesia and converse with the farmers, and while they may differ in policy, there is not one of them but believes that Rhodesia is a country where a farmer can with certainty secure a living and something more. One farmer who, ten years ago, had only a span of cattle and his rations supplied him by the British South Africa company could today sell out for 10,000 pounds to 12,000 pounds. Two years ago two young Englishmen started with a capital of £1,200 pounds, now, at the end of their second season, they have stock and cash to the extent of £1,600 pounds, and are owners of a farm with 150 acres under cultivation, an orchard, and several substantial brick buildings.

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## SCOTT'S EMULSION

cures coughs and colds, sore, tight chests, not by "dope," but by increasing the strength and enriching the blood.

All Druggists.

Detective Guerin of the Montreal detective staff, has been dismissed.

On Tuesday night, 8th inst., the close of navigation insurance season, steamers left Port Arthur with 1,837,112 bushels of grain.

Laplanders not infrequently cover 150 miles a day on their skates.

## DELICATE CHILDREN

Doctor Told This Mother That Vinol is a Fine Remedy—Mrs. Flagg Tells How Her Daughter Was Restored to Health by Vinol.

"Our little daughter, six years of age, after a severe attack of the measles, which developed into pneumonia, was left pitifully thin, weak and emaciated. She had no appetite, and her stomach was so weak it could not retain food. She lay in this condition for weeks, nothing the doctor prescribed did a bit of good, and we were beginning to think she would never recover.

"At this time we commenced to give her Vinol, and the effect was marvelous. The doctor was amazed at her progress, and when we told him we were giving her Vinol, he replied, 'It is a fine remedy, keep it up.' We did so, and she recovered her health and strength months before the doctor said she would."—Mrs. J. W. Flagg, Portland, Me.

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CROSS FOX STOLE AND MUFF—Usual price \$75.00	Sacrifice Sale Price ..... \$50.00
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PRICES BREAK DOWN  
BEFORE MONEY SCARE

Market Experiences Sharpest Reaction Since Days of Election

New York, Dec. 17.—There was the sharpest break in prices of stocks today that has occurred since the so-called election scare following the Maine election in September. Speculative holdings were shaken out of their weakened position and then thrown on the market at rates of concessions that gave an appearance of semi-demoralization.

That the burden of sustaining prices at the extremely advanced level to which they have reached is increased by the contraction of money supplies is certain, in spite of the moderate effect that has been produced on the open market for money. Large institutions reflecting the affairs of large and influential capitalists operating in the stock market are not likely to be matters for open procedure in the ordinary channels of the money market, but the great banks concerned in such affairs may bring pressure to bear for adjustment in the rates of sufficient magnitude which are as efficacious as an advance in money rates in the open market. The possibility of such a factor operating in the day's market may have been the sole ground for rumors in circulation pointing to individuals, but that such rumors were heard is a fact.

The money market showed no symptoms of disturbance. Foreign money markets showed the effects of the coming strain of the yearly settlements. The acute weakness of American Smelting and of shares in other companies in the metal trades found a special explanation in the credit and confidence placed by members of the Ways and Means committee of the house towards the position of lead ore.

Reports of staple conditions in the copper market and of a rate of production for outrunning the amounts going into consumption were a contributory cause of the pull-down in the price of copper along with the smelting stock.

The remarks of the president-elect at the dinner of the Ohio society seemed to be regarded as bringing disillusionment to some of the speculative element, which has dwelt on the future importance to be enjoyed by corporations as a motive for advancing prices.

The discussion of the lead some stress on a rumor that the selling of stocks was in the interest of an extensive combination of bucket shops, which would have a claim to enormous sums in customers' margins upon prices falling to a level that would wipe out the former.

Bonds were irregular; total sales, par value, \$4,906,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

## NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

Furnished by F. W. Stevenson & Co.

Boston, Dec. 17.—Liquidation was right at the opening. The night news was not bullish and liquidation in stocks continued. There was one good attempt to rally the market early in the last hour but on the rally there was renewed liquidation. In the metals and railroads while the Venezuela war declaration may not be important in itself, fear of complications brought selling in volume. Unless there is bad news over night market should rally.

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## LONDON TIMES ON IRISH DISORDERS

Alarming Increase of Terrorism in Ireland Has Been Noted

Dublin, Dec. 17.—The London Times regards the recent cattle drive in County Sligo, when a young man was killed and several policemen were injured, as a very serious affair. It says: "The Chief Secretary has recently refused to take 'the terrible and grave step of waging war with the sentiments and feelings of the Irish people' by putting into force the powers conferred upon the executive by the Crimes Act of 1887. It requires some measure of assurance to talk as if his system of shutting his eyes to what is going on in Ireland alters the fact that cattle-driving, which has been tolerated in more or less responsible quarters and even encouraged in others, has ended, as it was certain to end, in armed strife between those who represent the law and the mob who have learned to defy it."

The alarming increase in the sending of threatening letters and the passing of intimidatory resolutions, which is generally the forerunner of more serious forms of terrorism, has at last stirred up the government to call the attention of Irish journalists and others to the publication of resolutions and notices amounting to criminal libel and intimidation directed against the owners and occupiers of grazing lands. This warning has been given with defiance and insult by those who speak for the League and some who desire to rival or outstrip that body. They have again and again declared that they are not in the least afraid of the ordinary law, yet it is upon this "remedy" that the government continues to rely, in the hope that it will result in "the creation of a healthier state of public opinion." Can the Chief Secretary, the Times asks, persuade himself that it is possible to put off any longer, by evasive and optimistic answers in the House of Commons, the hour when he must render an account of the consequences of his policy?

In the House of Commons the other day Mr. Birrell said that the authorities had no knowledge of any armed bands going about Ireland, and that no legislation was contemplated, as to the free sale and promiscuous use of firearms in this country. In the House of Lords a week ago Lord Crewe said that cattle-driving was regarded in the districts where it took place as "a sort of practical joke." There was a successful cattle-drive at Riverstown three weeks ago, on which no convulsions followed. The Irish Times asks: If the criminals had not escaped with impunity, would another cattle-drive have taken place at the same spot later on? Certain Western editors, who received formal notice of Mr. Birrell's warning declare they are ready to defy Radical coercion. If it is true, as reported in Dublin political circles, that a section of the Cabinet is strongly in favor of a reinforcement of the Crimes Act, the Riverstown affair may possibly precipitate a Ministerial crisis.

All Private Bills for Acts of Incorporation shall be so framed as to incorporate the reference to the clauses of the General Act relating to the details to be provided for by such bills. Special grounds shall be established for any proposed departure from this principle, or for the introduction of other provisions as to such details, and a note shall be appended to the bill indicating the provisions thereof in which the General Act proposed to be departed from. Bills which are not framed in accordance with this note shall be re-cast by the promoters and reprinted at their expense before any committee is appointed to consider the same.

All Private Bills shall be prepared by the parties applying for the same, and printed in small pica type, twenty-six ems by forty ems, on good paper, in imperial octavo form, each page when folded measuring 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  by 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  inches. There shall be a marginal number every fifth line of each page; the numbering of the lines is not to run through the bill, but the lines of each page are to be numbered separately. If amendments are made to any bill during its progress before the committee or through the House, such bill shall be reprinted by the promoters and reprinted at their expense before any committee is appointed to consider the same.

By new Rule 65A, passed on the 2nd April, 1901, (see Journals, 1901, page 58), a model form of Railway Bill is adopted and must be used.

By 65B all bills to incorporate or amend bills incorporating railway companies are to be drawn in accordance with the Model Bill.

The provisions contained in any bill which are not in accord with the Model Bill shall be inserted between brackets.

Any exceptional provisions that it may be proposed to insert in any such bill shall be clearly set out in the notice of application for the same.

Dated, 7th December, 1908.

THORNTON FELL,  
Clerk, Legislative Assembly.

Section 178.  
COMPANIES ACT, 1877.

NOTICE is hereby given that Edward John Hearn, accountant, of Victoria, B.C., has been appointed the attorney-in-fact of the Vancouver Island Mining and Development Company, Limited, in the place of Clermont Livingston, deceased.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 16th day of December, 1908.

S.Y. WOOTTON,  
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

## HIGH PRESSURE PUMP TENDERS IN TODAY

Former Tenders Were Rejected  
By Water Expert—Progress on Work

Tenders for the duplicate pumps for the salt water, high pressure system will be in today and will come before the city council at next Monday night's council meeting. The first tenders called for were rejected by the council on the advice of Arthur L. Adams, the city's water expert. The pumps, which form the most important part of the new system now being installed, will call for an expenditure in the neighborhood of \$20,000. When Expert Adams reported on the first tenders he pointed out that the specifications prepared by the city were not quite consistent and several sections were at variance with one another while some errors were made by the tenders. Under his supervision new specifications were drawn and it is expected that the tenders in today will fully comply with all requirements.

The hydrants for the new system are now in course of manufacture by Hutchinson Bros., to whom the contract for the supply of twenty was given. These hydrants will be of extra strong make and of a large size. There will be five outlets on each, which means that as many lines of hose can be attached to a hydrant and as they will be distributed throughout the system in such a manner that at least two and probably more can be brought into play at one fire it will mean that at least ten lines of hose will be available while owing to the pressure the volume of water and the force at which it can be thrown will be enormous.

The nozzle pressure will be about 100 or 110 pounds per inch and from one hydrant five streams each at that pressure will deliver over 1,000 gallons of water per minute. This pressure will always be available and there will be no necessity, in case of fire for waiting until steam is up, as in the case of a fire engine. The minute the line of hose is laid the steam can be turned on. The John Grant fire engine can accommodate three lines of hose and can give approximately ninety pounds of pressure at the nozzle while the capacity is about 700 gallons per minute. The advantage of the high pressure system and the greater results which can be obtained from a hydrant is apparent when the above figures are compared.

The work of laying the mains for the system is being pushed ahead. The twelve-inch main on Herald street between Douglas street and Store street is being laid and work on the Store street and Wharf street main will begin at once. The laying of the twelve-inch main on Douglas street from Broughton to Herald is about completed.

Board of Trade Council.

The Council of the Board of Trade will meet this morning at 10:30 o'clock.

Sacramento Sunday.

The quarterly sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated in the first Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning next. The usual preparatory service was held last evening.

Christmas Decorations.

The members of the Chancery Guild began work yesterday afternoon, in the schoolroom, upon the decorations, which on Thursday next will be placed in Christ Church Cathedral, in honor of Christmas Day. These decorations will as is customary in the case of the Church of England, be of an elaborate character.

Sale of Work and Ship Social.

An event of unique interest takes place this afternoon and evening in the Metropolitan schoolroom. The good ship Victory's cargo of useful and seasonal articles will be sold by the young ladies of Mrs. J. L. Armstrong's Bible class. At 6 o'clock the "ship supper" will be served and at eight o'clock a concert suggestive of sea life will be given. The decorations consisting of flags, hunting, etc., will add to the attractiveness of the occasion. The proceeds will be devoted to missions. The ladies invite the general public to be present.

Improvements to Organ.

Owing to the fact that the new organ, which are being built in Philadelphia, under special instructions from the organ-builder, W. Roberts, have not as yet arrived, it has now become highly improbable that the repairs and improvements which are being made in the organ at Christ Church Cathedral, will be completely finished in time for the services on Christmas Day; but nevertheless the organ will be used in the celebration of the greatest festival in the church's year, and a vast improvement will be made in the matter of volume and of shading.

Three new stops are being added and many new as well as striking effects will be produced.

Jubilee Singers Coming.

Tomorrow the Jubilee singers, who will give an entertainment in the church at the First Congregational church, Pandora Avenue, will arrive from Nanaimo, where they have been performing. Since coming to British Columbia they have appeared in the majority of the mainland cities and everywhere their efforts, according to report, have been appreciated. The company consists of eight colored men and women, each of whom is musically gifted. Some are vocalists of more than ordinary power, several having belonged to the original Fiske Jubilee troupe, and others are exceptionally pleasing instrumentalists. The program which has been prepared consists of a series of exceedingly choice selections. All are high class southern melodies, in the execution of which the visitors are well adapted. Local lovers of music have a real treat in store.

Annual Christmas Entertainment.

On Tuesday evening next the children attending the First Presbyterian Church Sunday School, will be treated to their annual tea, which will be followed by their Christmas entertainment. The pupils will surely be the great majority of the attractions on the program, and the superintendent, Ald. Meston will preside.

The Ark's singular novelty, which will be exhibited upon this occasion for the first time in this city, and which comes all the way from Gotham, is expected to afford to both the young and the old a very great deal of amusement and satisfaction. Among its functions will be the transport of suitable freight for both old and young, together with an abundance of de-

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lightful Christmas gifts. It will also be the means of presenting a number of mystifying features, which will prove to be puzzling in the extreme.

This ark has been constructed here, from designs which have been furnished by the Scientific American.

During the year, under the direction of the General Assembly, the children have been engaged in committing to memory certain portions of the Scriptures, and prizes, as well as diplomas, are to be distributed for proficiency in these departments of Christian knowledge. Prizes will also be awarded for intimate acquaintance with the many questions and answers, which are to be found in the Shorter Catechism, as well as for regularity and for punctuality in attendance. Superintendent Meston is in the habit of bestowing in particular, two prizes to teachers, one for attendance upon the sessions of the Sunday School, throughout the year, and the other for attendance upon the teachers' meetings.

## WILL NOT ENTER THE MAYORALTY CONTEST

J. L. Beckwith Will Not Be a Candidate—No Additions to List of Entries

J. L. Beckwith will not be a candidate for mayor at the forthcoming civic elections. For some time rumor had it that he would be an aspirant for the office of chief magistrate, and he was requested by many to enter the race. Yesterday, however, Mr. Beckwith positively stated that he would not be a candidate. He has made up his mind to that effect.

It is almost practically certain that the contest this year will be between Mayor Hall and Mr. Morley and that no third candidate will enter the field, though there is still plenty of time for any ratepayer with aspirations for the honor to enter his name in the civic free-for-all.

In the aldermanic field no new names have been added to those already definitely before the public. In ward one Alderman Norman and W. C. Stewart, the latter a candidate last year, are in the fight again having so announced themselves. There have been efforts on the part of some of the ratepayers to bring out other entries, but while several names have been mentioned no definite announcements have been made. Capt. Gidley has been requested to run and ex-Alderman Ross has also been approached, but so far they have given no answer nor decided to do so. Alderman Mable has not yet announced whether he will seek re-election.

In ward two Alderman Hall and Alderman Meston have no competitors as yet, though from the activity shown by some of the ratepayers an effort is being made to enter other candidates.

Aldermen Fullerton and Gleason will again run in ward three and no other entries have been announced. In ward four Alderman McKeown and W. G. Winterburn have it all to themselves so far, but in ward five there will be keen competition. Alderman Cameron having dropped out Alderman Henderson is the sole representative of this year's council to seek re-election, and with him in the contest will be T. N. Hibben and James L. Turner, both of whom have succumbed to the wishes of their friends and consented to enter the field.

## WINTERING IN VICTORIA

Stable Seattle Thoroughbreds Brought Here By F. Martin This Week

That Victoria is destined to become the recognized wintering resort for Northwest horsemen and their charges, a prediction which was made through these columns some days ago, is being borne out by passing events. The last string of thoroughbreds to be brought here for rest during the slack season came from Seattle on Monday. It was T. Martin's stable, comprising Nellie Racine, Cliff Rogers and Senator Warner. Mr. Martin proposes to remain here until the spring, when he will start out on the Northwest circuit.

Killed in Pier Collapse.

Martinsburg, W. Va., Dec. 16.—Four persons were killed by the collapse of a pier and span of the new bridge across the Potomac river here today.

Very Small Assets.

Detroit, Dec. 16.—That not more than \$50,000 is collectible out of apparent assets of \$1,200,000 was indicated by today's testimony before the bankruptcy referee, U. P. Davock. In the case of Cameron, Currie & Co., the Detroit brokerage firm that failed last July. Estimates have been made according to which three per cent will be the amount unsecured creditors will realize on their claims.

French Railway Disaster.

Limoges, France, Dec. 16.—A collision between a freight and a passenger train near here today resulted in the death of fifteen persons and the injury of thirty others. Fire broke out after the accident, and most of the victims, including the engineer of the passenger train, were plowed beneath the wreckage and burned to death. The great heat interfered very seriously with the work of rescue. The collision occurred in the Pouch tunnel, between here and Brive.

Trial of Night Riders.

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 16.—After an entire day devoted to an attempt to get a jury to try the eight alleged night riders on a charge of murdering Captain Quentin Rantin, the court adjourned until with only two men in the jury box. Fifty-three talesmen were examined. The proceedings were marked by frequent tilts between attorneys. At one time Judge Jones threatened to fine Attorney Pierce, of the defense for contempt. It is probable that a week will be consumed in securing a jury.

Louisiana Anti-Racing Law.

New Orleans, Dec. 16.—An order to

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## ISLANDERS HAUL DOWN THE BRITISH FLAG

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Advices were brought by the steamer Makura from Australia of the hauling down of the British flag by the natives of Rokahanga Island in the Manahiki group, who have declared a republic. The island chief, who led the movement, which was assented to by a mass meeting, was made dictator and the British flag was formally hauled down, amid great enthusiasm. The dictator forthwith appointed judges and other administrative officers and organized a new police force. The stores of the European traders were ordered closed. The ringleader in the movement is a native missionary. Some of the natives who objected to the movement were hauled before the new judges and fined. The islands are part of the Cook group and are incorporated with New Zealand as part of that Dominion. It was expected a warship would be sent from the Australian station.

### Island Tragedies

News was brought of several island tragedies in the South Seas. Louis Punet, a French trader, was murdered at the Island of Ambrym in the New Hebrides, and the French warship Kersaint had sailed from Noumea to land a punitive expedition. The British cruiser Prometheus landed a punitive expedition on Santos island to avenge the massacre of Alexander Greig and two daughters. A fourteen-year-old boy escaped and hid until the natives of the tribe had gone. The village of the tribesmen who murdered the family was surprised, and in a fusilade opened upon them as they ran six women and a child were killed. The village was burned. At Erronganga a German trader suddenly became insane and ran amuck. When a trading vessel called for his copra he fired on it, and fled into the bush. From Ambrym Island news was brought of the drowning of Father Perthuy and Sister Marie-Clement, Catholic missionaries, and some Kanakas. The sister, exhausted while clinging to the wreckage of the capsized whaleboat, asked the priest to administer the last sacrament. She died soon afterward and while the priest was administering the sacrament to one of the Kanakas he himself expired.

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